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7	SUPERIOR COURT OF T	HE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
8	COUNTY OF	SANTA CLARA
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10	ROSA GUTIERREZ, an individual, on behalf of herself and all others similarly situated,	CASE NO.: 115CV277104
11	PLAINTIFF,	CLASS ACTION
12	v.	COMPLAINT:
13	GOOGLE, INC., a corporation of Delaware;	<ol> <li>Failure to Provide Required Meal Periods</li> <li>Failure to Provide Required Rest Periods</li> </ol>
14	and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive,	<ol> <li>Failure to Pay Overtime Wages</li> <li>Failure to Pay Minimum Wages</li> </ol>
15	DEFENDANTS.	<ol> <li>Failure to Timely Pay Wages During Employment</li> </ol>
16		<ol> <li>Failure to Pay All Wages Due to Discharged and Quitting Employees</li> </ol>
17		<ol> <li>Failure to Maintain Required Records</li> <li>Failure to Furnish Accurate, Itemized</li> </ol>
18		<ul><li>Wage Statements</li><li>9. Failure to Indemnify Employees for</li></ul>
19		Necessary Expenditures Incurred in the Discharge of Duties
20		10. Unfair and Unlawful Business Practices
21		REPRESENTATIVE ACTION
22		<ol> <li>Penalties under the California Labor Code Private Attorneys General Act, as</li> </ol>
23		representative action
24		DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL
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PLAINTIFF ROSA GUTIERREZ ("PLAINTIFF"), an individual, demanding a jury trial, on behalf of herself and all other persons similarly situated, hereby alleges as follows:

#### JURISDICTION AND VENUE

The Superior Court of the State of California has jurisdiction in this matter because
 PLAINTIFF is a citizen and resident of the State of California GOOGLE, INC., a Delaware
 corporation; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive (collectively, "DEFENDANTS") are citizens and
 residents of, and/or regularly conduct business in, California. Further, no federal question is at issue
 because the claims are based solely on California law.

9 2. Venue is proper in this judicial district and the County of Santa Clara, California
10 because PLAINTIFF, and other persons similarly situated, performed work for DEFENDANTS in
11 the County of Santa Clara and many of DEFENDANTS' unlawful actions and omissions, set forth
12 herein, occurred in the County of Santa Clara.

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## PLAINTIFF

143.PLAINTIFF is a citizen and resident of the State of California who, at times material15to this complaint, was employed by DEFENDANTS.

PLAINTIFF, on behalf of herself and other similarly situated current and former non-16 4. exempt employees of DEFENDANTS in the State of California at any time during the four (4) years 17 preceding the filing of this action, and continuing while this action is pending, brings this class action 18 to recover, among other things, wages and penaltics from unpaid wages earned and due, including but 19 not limited to unpaid and illegally calculated overtime compensation, illegal meal and rest period 20 policies, failure to pay all wages due to discharged or quitting employees, failure to maintain required 21 records, failure to provide accurate itemized wage statements, failure to indemnify employees for 22 necessary expenditures and/or losses incurred in discharging their duties, and interest, attorneys' fees, 23 24 costs, and expenses.

5. PLAINTIFF brings this action on behalf of herself and the following similarly situated
 class of individuals ("CLASS MEMBERS"): all current and former non-exempt employees of
 DEFENDANTS in the State of California at any time within the period beginning four (4) years prior

to the filing of this action, and ending at the time this action settles or proceeds to final judgment
 ("CLASS PERIOD"). PLAINTIFF reserves the right to name additional class representatives.

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## DEFENDANTS

6. PLAINTIFF is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that DEFENDANT
GOOGLE, INC. is, and at all times relevant hereto was, a corporation organized and existing under
the laws of the State of Delaware. PLAINTIFF is further informed and believes, and thereon alleges,
that DEFENDANT GOOGLE, INC. is authorized to conduct business in the State of California, and
does conduct business in the State of California. Specifically, upon information and belief,
DEFENDANT GOOGLE, INC. maintains offices and conducts business in the County of Santa
Clara, State of California.

7. The true names and capacities of DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, are unknown to
 PLAINTIFF at this time, and PLAINTIFF therefore sues such defendants under fictitious names.
 PLAINTIFF is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that each defendant designated as a DOE
 is in some manner highly responsible for the occurrences alleged herein, and that PLAINTIFF and
 CLASS MEMBERS' injuries and damages, as alleged herein, were proximately caused by the
 conduct of such DOE DEFENDANTS. PLAINTIFF will seek leave of the court to amend this
 complaint to allege the true names and capacities of such DOE DEFENDANTS when ascertained.

8. At all relevant times herein, DEFENDANTS were the joint employers of PLAINTIFF
 and CLASS MEMBERS. PLAINTIFF is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that at all times
 material to this complaint DEFENDANTS were the alter egos, divisions, affiliates, integrated
 enterprises, joint employers, subsidiaries, parents, principals, related entities, co-conspirators,
 authorized agents, partners, joint venturers, and/or guarantors, actual or ostensible, of each other.
 Each defendant was completely dominated by his, her, or its co-defendant, and each was the alter ego
 of the other.

9. At all relevant times herein, PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS were employed by
 DEFENDANTS under employment agreements that were partly written, partly oral, and partly
 implied. In perpetrating the acts and omissions alleged herein, DEFENDANTS, and each of them,
 acted pursuant to, and in furtherance of, their policies and practices of not paying PLAINTIFF and

CLASS MEMBERS all wages carned and due, through methods and schemes which include, but are
 not limited to, failing to pay overtime premiums; failing to provide rest and meal periods; failing to
 properly maintain records; failing to provide accurate itemized statements for each pay period; failing
 to properly compensate PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS for necessary expenditures; and
 requiring, permitting or suffering the employees to work off the clock, in violation of the California
 Labor Code ("Labor Code") and the applicable Industrial Welfare Commission ("IWC") IWC Wage
 Order.

8 10. PLAINTIFF is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that each and every one of
9 the acts and omissions alleged herein were performed by, and/or attributable to, all DEFENDANTS,
10 each acting as agents and/or employees, and/or under the direction and control of, each of the other
11 DEFENDANTS, and that said acts and failures to act were within the course and scope of said
12 agency, employment and/or direction and control.

13 11. As a direct and proximate result of the unlawful actions of DEFENDANTS,
14 PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS have suffered, and continue to suffer, from loss of earnings in
15 amounts as yet unascertained, but subject to proof at trial, and within the jurisdiction of this Court.

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CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS

This action is appropriately suited for a class action because:

A. The potential class is a significant number. Joinder of all current and former
 employees individually would be impractical.

B. This action involves common questions of law and fact to the potential class
because the action focuses on the DEFENDANTS' systematic course of illegal payroll practices and
policies, which was applied to all current and former non-exempt employees of DEFENDANTS in
violation of the Labor Code, IWC Wage Orders, and the California Business and Professions Code
which prohibits unfair business practices arising from such violations.

C. The claims of PLAINTIFF are typical of the class because DEFENDANTS
 subjected all current and former non-exempt employees of DEFENDANTS to the identical violations
 of the Labor Code, the applicable IWC Wage Order, and the California Business and Professions
 Code.

1	D. PLAINTIFF is able to fairly and adequately protect the interests of all	
2	members of the class because it is in his best interests to prosecute the claims alleged herein to obtain	
3	full compensation due to the class for all services rendered and hours worked.	
4	CLASS ACTION	
5	FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION Failure to Provide Required Meal Periods	
6	[Cal. Labor Code §§ 226.7, 510, 512, 1194, 1197; IWC Wage Order No. 7-2001, § 11] (Against All DEFENDANTS)	
7	13. PLAINTIFF incorporates herein by specific reference, as though fully set forth,	
8	the allegations in all preceding paragraphs.	
9	14. During the CLASS PERIOD, as part of DEFENDANTS' illegal payroll policies and	
10	practices to deprive their current and former non-exempt employees all wages carned and due,	
11	DEFENDANTS required, permitted or otherwise suffered PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS to	
12	take less than the 30-minute meal period, or to work through them, and have failed to otherwise	
13	provide the required meal periods to PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS pursuant to Labor Code 8	
14 15	226.7, 512 and IWC Order No. 7-2001, § 11.	
16	15. DEFENDANTS further violated Labor Code §§ 226.7 and IWC Wage Order No. 7-	
17	2001, § 11 by failing to compensate PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS who were not provided	
18	with a meal period, in accordance with the applicable IWC Wage Order, one additional hour of	
19	compensation at each employee's regular rate of pay for each workday that a meal period was not	
20	provided.	
21	16. DEFENDANTS further violated Labor Code §§ 226.7, 510, 1194, 1197, and IWC	
22	Wage Order No. 7-2001 by failing to compensate PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS for all hours	
23	worked during their meal periods.	
24	17. As a proximate result of the aforementioned violations, PLAINTIFF and CLASS	
25	MEMBERS have been damaged in an amount according to proof at trial, and seek all wages carned	
26	and due, interest, penalties, attorneys' fees, expenses, and costs of suit.	
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1	SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION
2	Failure to Provide Required Rest Periods [Cal. Labor Code §§ 226.7, 512; IWC Wage Order No. 7-2001, § 12]
3	(Against All DEFENDANTS)
4	18. PLAINTIFF incorporates herein by specific reference, as though fully set forth,
5	the allegations in all preceding paragraphs.
6	19. At all times relevant herein, as part of DEFENDANTS' illegal payroll policies and
7	practices to deprive their current and former non-exempt employees all wages earned and due,
8	DEFENDANTS failed to provide rest periods to PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS as required
9	under Labor Code §§ 226.7 and 512, and IWC Wage Order No. 7-2001, § 12.
10	20. DEFENDANTS further violated Labor Code § 226.7 and IWC Wage Order No. 7-
11	2001, § 12 by failing to pay PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS who were not provided with a rest
12	period, in accordance with the applicable IWC Wage Order, one additional hour of compensation at
13	each employee's regular rate of pay for each workday that a rest period was not provided.
14	21. As a proximate result of the aforementioned violations, PLAINTIFF and CLASS
15	MEMBERS have been damaged in an amount according to proof at trial, and seek all wages earned
16	and due, interest, penaltics, attorneys' fees, expenses, and costs of suit.
17	THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION
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19	(Against All DEFENDANTS)
20	22. PLAINTIFF incorporates herein by specific reference, as though fully set forth,
21	the allegations in all preceding paragraphs.
22	23. Pursuant to Labor Code §§ 510, 1194, and IWC Wage Order No. 7-2001, § 3,
23	DEFENDANTS are required to compensate PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS for all overtime,
24	which is calculated at one and one-half $(1 \frac{1}{2})$ times the regular rate of pay for all hours worked in
25	excess of eight (8) hours per day and/or forty (40) hours per week, and for the first eight (8) hours on
26	the seventh consecutive workday, with double time for all hours worked in excess of twelve (12)
27	hours in any workday and for all hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours on the seventh
28	consecutive day of work in any workweek.

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PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS are current and former non-exempt employees 1 24. of DEFENDANTS entitled to the protections of Labor Code §§ 510, 1194, and IWC Wage Order No. 2 7-2001. During the CLASS PERIOD, DEFENDANTS failed to compensate PLAINTIFF and 3 CLASS MEMBERS for all overtime hours worked as required under the foregoing provisions of the 4 5 Labor Code and IWC Wage Order by, among other things: failing to pay overtime at one and onehalf (1 1/2) or double the regular rate of pay as provided by Labor Code §§ 510, 1194, and IWC Wage 6 Order No. 7-2001, § 3; requiring, permitting or suffering PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS to 7 8 work off the clock; requiring, permitting or suffering PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS to work through meal and rest breaks; illegally and inaccurately recording time in which PLAINTIFF and 9 CLASS MEMBERS worked; failing to properly maintain PLAINTIFF's and CLASS MEMBERS' 10 records; failing to provide accurate itemized wage statements to PLAINTIFF for each pay period; and 11 12 other methods to be discovered.

25. In violation of California law, DEFENDANTS have knowingly and willfully refused
 to perform their obligations to compensate PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS for all wages earned
 and all hours worked. As a proximate result, PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS have suffered,
 and continue to suffer, substantial losses related to the use and enjoyment of such wages, lost interest
 on such wages, and expenses and attorneys' fees in seeking to compel DEFENDANTS to fully
 perform their obligations under state law, all to their respective damages in amounts according to
 proof at time of trial, and within the jurisdiction of this Court.

26. DEFENDANTS' conduct described herein violates Labor Code §§ 510, 1194, 1198
and IWC Wage Order No. 7-2001, § 3. Therefore, pursuant to Labor Code §§ 200, 203, 226, 558,
1194, 1197.1, and other applicable provisions under the Labor Code and IWC Wage Orders,
PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS are entitled to recover the unpaid balance of wages owed to
them by DEFENDANTS, plus interest, penalties, attorneys' fees, expenses, and costs of suit.
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1	FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION	
2	Failure to Pay Minimum Wages [Cal Labor Code §§ 1194, 1197; IWC Wage Order No. 1-2001, § 4]	
3	(Against All DEFENDANTs)	
4	27. PLAINTIFF incorporates herein by specific reference, as though fully set forth, the	
5	allegations in all preceding paragraphs.	
6	28. Pursuant to California Labor Code §§ 1194, 1197, and IWC Wage Order No. 1-2001,	
7	§ 4, payment to an employce of less than the applicable minimum wage for all hours worked in a	
8	payroll period is unlawful.	
9	29. During the CLASS PERIOD, DEFENDANTS failed to pay PLAINTIFF and CLASS	
10	MEMBERS minimum wages for all hours worked by, among other things: requiring, permitting or	
11	suffering PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS to work off the clock; requiring, permitting or	
12	suffering PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS to work through meal and rest breaks; illegally and	
13	inaccurately recording time in which PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS worked; failing to	
14	properly maintain PLAINTIFF'S and CLASS MEMBERS' records; failing to provide accurate	
15	itemized wage statements to PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS for each pay period; and other	
16	methods to be discovered.	
17	30. DEFENDANTS' conduct described herein violates California Labor Code §§ 1194,	
18	1197, and IWC Wage Order No. 1-2001, § 4. As a proximate result of the aforementioned violations,	
19	PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS have been damaged in an amount according to proof at trial.	
20	Therefore, pursuant to California Labor Code §§ 200, 203, 226, 558, 1194, 1197.1, and other	
21	applicable provisions under the Labor Code and IWC Wage Orders, PLAINTIFF and CLASS	
22	MEMBERS are entitled to recover the unpaid balance of wages owed to them by DEFENDANTS,	
23	plus interest, penalties, attorneys' fees, expenses, and costs of suit.	
24	FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION	
25	Failure to Pay Timely Wages During Employment [Cal. Labor Code § 204]	
26	(Against All DEFENDANTS)	
27	31. PLAINTIFF incorporates herein by specific reference, as though fully set forth,	
28	the allegations in all preceding paragraphs.	

1 Pursuant to California Labor Code § 204, for all labor performed between the 1st and 32. 15<sup>th</sup> days of any calendar month, DEFENDANTS are required to pay their nonexempt employees 2 between the 16<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> day of the month during which the labor was performed. California Labor 3 Code § 204 also provides that for all labor performed between the 16<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> days of any calendar 4 month, DEFENDANTS are required to pay their nonexempt employees between the 1st and 10th day 5 of the following calendar month. In addition, California Labor Code § 204 provides that all wages 6 earned for labor in excess of the normal work period shall be paid no later than the payday of the next 7 8 regular payroll period.

9 33. During the CLASS PERIOD, DEFENDANTS knowingly and willfully failed to pay
10 PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS all the wages they carned when due as required by California
11 Labor Code § 204.

34. Pursuant to California Labor Code § 210, failure to pay the wages of each employee as
provided in California Labor Code § 204 will subject DEFENDANTS to a civil penalty of: (1) one
hundred dollars (\$100) for each failure to pay each employee for each initial violation; and (2) two
hundred dollars (\$200) for each failure to pay each employee, plus twenty-five percent (25%) of the
amount unlawfully withheld, for each subsequent violation

35. DEFENDANTS' conduct described herein violates California Labor Code § 204. As
a proximate result of the aforementioned violations, PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS have been
damaged in an amount according to proof at trial. Therefore, pursuant to California Labor Code §§
200, 210, 226, 558, 1194, 1197.1, 2699, and other applicable provisions under the Labor Code and
IWC Wage Orders, PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS are entitled to recover the unpaid balance
of wages owed to them by DEFENDANTS, plus interest, penalties, attorneys' fees, expenses, and
costs of suit.

SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION Failure to Pay All Wages Due to Discharged and Quitting Employees [Cal. Labor Code §§ 201, 202, 203, 204] (Against All DEFENDANTS)

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27 36. PLAINTIFF incorporates herein by specific reference, as though fully set forth,
28 the allegations in all preceding paragraphs.

37. Pursuant to Labor Code § 201, 202, 203, and 204 DEFENDANTS are required to pay
 all earned and unpaid wages to an employee who is discharged. Labor Code § 201 mandates that if
 an employer discharges an employee, the employee's wages accrued and unpaid at the time of
 discharge are due and payable immediately.

38. Furthermore, pursuant to Labor Code § 202, DEFENDANTS are required to pay all
accrued wages due to an employee no later than 72 hours after the employee quits his or her
employment, unless the employee provided 72 hours previous notice of his or her intention to quit, in
which case the employee is entitled to his or wages at the time of quitting.

39. Labor Code § 203 provides that if an employer willfully fails to pay, in accordance
with Labor Code §§ 201 and 202, any wages of an employee who is discharged or who quits, the
employer is liable for waiting time penalties in the form of continued compensation to the employee
at the same rate for up to 30 workdays.

40. During the CLASS PERIOD, DEFENDANTS have willfully failed to pay accrued
wages and other compensation to PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS in accordance with Labor
Code §§ 201 and 202.

41. As a result, PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS are entitled to all available statutory
penalties, including the waiting time penalties provided in Labor Code §§ 203 and 204, together with
interest thereon, as well as other available remedies.

42. As a proximate result of DEFENDANTS' unlawful actions and omissions,
PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS have been deprived of compensation in an amount according to
proof at the time of trial, but in excess of the jurisdiction of this Court, and are entitled to recovery of
such amounts, plus interest thereon, and attorneys' fees and costs, pursuant to Labor Code §§ 1194
and 2699.

 

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 SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION Failure to Maintain Required Records

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 [Cal. Labor Code §§ 226, 1174; IWC Wage Order No. 7-2001, § 7]

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27 43. PLAINTIFF incorporates herein by specific reference, as though fully set forth,
28 the allegations in all preceding paragraphs.

1	44. During the CLASS PERIOD, as part of DEFENDANTS' illegal payroll policies and
2	practices to deprive PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS of all wages earned and due,
3	DEFENDANTS knowingly and intentionally failed to maintain records as required under Labor Code
4	§§ 226, 1174, and IWC Wage Order No. 7-2001, § 7, including but not limited to the following
5	records: total daily hours worked by each employee; applicable rates of pay; all deductions; meal
6	periods; time records showing when each employee begins and ends each work period; and accurate
7	itemized statements.
8	45. As a proximate result of DEFENDANTS' unlawful actions and omissions,
9	PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS have been damaged in an amount according to proof at trial,
10	and are entitled to all wages carned and due, plus interest thereon. Additionally, PLAINTIFF and
11	CLASS MEMBERS are entitled to all available statutory penalties, including but not limited to civil
12	penalties pursuant to Labor Code §§ 226(e), 226.3, and 1174.5, and an award of costs, expenses, and
13	reasonable attorneys' fees, including but not limited to those provided in Labor Code § 226(e), as
14	well as other available remedies.
15	EIGHTH CAUSE OF ACTION

# Failure to Furnish Accurate Itemized Wage Statements [Cal. Labor Code §§ 226; IWC Wage Order No. 7-2001, § 7] (Against All DEFENDANTS)

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46. PLAINTIFF incorporates herein by specific reference, as though fully set forth,
the allegations in all preceding paragraphs.

During the CLASS PERIOD, DEFENDANTS routinely failed to provide PLAINTIFF 47. 20 and CLASS MEMBERS with timely, accurate, and itemized wage statements in writing showing 21 cach employee's gross wages earned, total hours worked, all deductions made, net wages carned, the 22 name and address of the legal entity or entities employing PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS, and 23 all applicable hourly rates in effect during each pay period and the corresponding number of hours 24 worked at each hourly rate, in violation of Labor Code § 226 and IWC Wage Order No. 7-2001, § 7. 25 48. During the CLASS PERIOD, DEFENDANTS knowingly and intentionally failed to 26 provide PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS with timely, accurate, and itemized wage statements in 27 accordance with Labor Code § 226(a). 28

As a proximate result of DEFENDANTS' unlawful actions and omissions, 1 49. PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS have been damaged in an amount according to proof at trial, 2 and seek all wages earned and due, plus interest thereon. Additionally, PLAINTIFF and CLASS 3 MEMBERS are entitled to all available statutory penalties, including but not limited to civil penalties 4 pursuant to Labor Code §§ 226(e), 226.3, and 1174.5, and an award of costs, expenses, and 5 reasonable attorneys' fees, including but not limited to those provided in Labor Code § 226(e), as 6 7 well as other available remedies. 8 NINETH CAUSE OF ACTION Failure to Indemnify Employees for Necessary Expenditures Incurred in Discharge of Duties 9 [Cal. Labor Code § 2802] (Against All DEFENDANTS) 10 PLAINTIFF incorporates herein by specific reference, as though fully set forth, 50. 11 the allegations in all preceding paragraphs. 12 Labor Code § 2802(a) requires an employer to indemnify an employce for all 51. 13 necessary expenditures or losses incurred by the employee in direct consequence of the discharge of 14 her his or her duties, or of his or her obedience to the directions of the employer. 15 During the CLASS PERIOD, DEFENDANTS knowingly and willfully failed to 52. 16 indemnify PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS for all business expenses and/or losses incurred in 17 direct consequence of the discharge of their duties while working under the direction of 18 DEFENDANTS, including but not limited to expenses for personal cell phone usage, uniforms, and 19 other employment-related expenses, in violation of Labor Code § 2802. 20 As a proximate result of DEFENDANTS' unlawful actions and omissions, 53. 21 PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS have been damaged in an amount according to proof at trial, 22 and seek reimbursement of all necessary expenditures, plus interest thereon pursuant to Labor Code § 23 2802(b). Additionally, PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS are entitled to all available statutory 24 penalties and an award of costs, expenses, and reasonable attorneys' fees, including those provided in 25 Labor Code § 2802(c), as well as other available remedies. 26 **TENTH CAUSE OF ACTION** 27 Unfair and Unlawful Business Practices 28 [Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 17200 ct. seq.]

> 12 CLASS AND REPRESENTATIVE ACTION COMPLAINT

# (Against All DEFENDANTS)

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<sup>2</sup> 54. PLAINTIFF incorporates herein by specific reference, as though fully set forth,
<sup>3</sup> the allegations in all preceding paragraphs.

4 Each and every one of DEFENDANTS' acts and omissions in violation of the Labor 55. 5 Code and/or the applicable IWC Wage Order as alleged herein, including but not limited to 6 DEFENDANTS' failure and refusal to provide required meal periods, DEFENDANTS' failure and 7 refusal to provide required rest periods, DEFENDANTS' failure and refusal to pay overtime 8 compensation, DEFENDANTS' failure and refusal to pay all wages due to discharged or quitting 9 employces, DEFENDANTS' failure and refusal to furnish accurate itemized wage statements; 10 DEFENDANTS' failure and refusal to maintain required records, DEFENDANTS' failure and 11 refusal to indemnify PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS for necessary expenditures and/or losses 12 incurring in discharging their duties, constitutes an unfair and unlawful business practice under 13 California Business and Professions Code § 17200 et seq.

56. DEFENDANTS' violations of California wage and hour laws constitute a business practice
 because DEFENDANTS' aforementioned acts and omissions were done repeatedly over a significant
 period of time, and in a systematic manner, to the detriment of PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS.

17 57. DEFENDANTS have avoided payment of wages, overtime wages, meal periods, rest
 periods, and other benefits as required by the Labor Code, the California Code of Regulations, and the
 applicable IWC Wage Order. Further, DEFENDANTS have failed to record, report, and pay the
 correct sums of assessment to the state authorities under the Labor Code and other applicable
 regulations.

58. As a result of DEFENDANTS' unfair and unlawful business practices,
 DEFENDANTS have reaped unfair and illegal profits during the CLASS PERIOD at the expense of
 PLAINTIFF, CLASS MEMBERS, and members of the public. DEFENDANTS should be made to
 disgorge their ill-gotten gains and to restore them to PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS.

59. DEFENDANTS' unfair and unlawful business practices entitle PLAINTIFF and
 CLASS MEMBERS to seek preliminary and permanent injunctive relief, including but not limited to
 orders that DEFENDANTS account for, disgorge, and restore to PLAINTIFF and CLASS

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1	MEMBERS the wages and other compensation unlawfully withheld from them. PLAINTIFF and
2	CLASS MEMBERS are entitled to restitution of all monies to be disgorged from DEFENDANTS in
3	an amount according to proof at the time of trial, but in excess of the jurisdiction of this Court.
4 5 6	REPRESENTATIVE ACTION ELEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION Representative Action for Civil Penalties [Cal. Labor Code §§ 2698- 2699.5]
7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	(Against All DEFENDANTS)         60. PLAINTIFF incorporates herein by specific reference, as though fully set forth, the allegations in all preceding paragraphs, with exception of the allegations in Paragraph 12 (A-D).         61. PLAINTIFF is an "aggricved employee" within the meaning of Labor Code § 2699(c), and a proper representative to bring a civil action on behalf of herself and other current and former employees of DEFENDANTS pursuant to the procedures specified in Labor Code § 2699.3, because PLAINTIFF was employed by DEFENDANTS and the alleged violations of the Labor Code were committed against PLAINTIFF.         62. Pursuant to the California Private Attorneys General Act of 2004 ("PAGA"), Labor Code §§ 2698-2699.5, PLAINTIFF seeks to recover civil penalties, including but not limited to penalties under Labor Code §§ 2699, 210, 226.3, 558, 1174.5, 1197.1, and IWC Wage Order No. 7-2001, § 20, from DEFENDANTS in a representative action for the violations set forth above, including but not limited to violations of Labor Code §§ 201, 202, 203, 204, 226, 226.7, 510, 512, 1174, 1194, 1197, 1198, and 2802. PLAINTIFF is also entitled to an award of reasonable attorneys' fees and costs pursuant to Labor Code § 2699(g)(1).
<ol> <li>22</li> <li>23</li> <li>24</li> <li>25</li> <li>26</li> <li>27</li> <li>28</li> </ol>	63. Pursuant to Labor Code §§ 2699.3, PLAINTIFF gave written notice by certified mail to the California Labor and Workforce Development Agency ("LWDA") and DEFENDANTS of the specific provisions of the Labor Code and IWC Wage Orders alleged to have been violated, including the facts and theories to support the alleged violations. The LWDA provided notice to PLAINTIFF that it did not intend to investigate the alleged violations.

1	64. Therefore, PLAINTIFF has complied with all of the requirements set forth in Labor	
2	Code § 2699.3 to commence a representative action under PAGA.	
3	PRAYER FOR RELIEF	
4	WHEREFORE, PLAINTIFF, individually and on behalf of all other persons similarly	
5	situated, respectfully prays for relicf against DEFENDANTS and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive,	
6	and each of them, as follows:	
7	1. For compensatory damages in an amount to be ascertained at trial;	
8	2. For restitution of all monies due to PLAINTIFF and CLASS MEMBERS, as well as	
9	disgorged profits from the unfair and unlawful business practices of DEFENDANTS;	
10	3. For meal and rest period compensation pursuant to Labor Code § 226.7 and IWC	
11	Wage Order No. 7-2001;	
12	4. For liquidated damages pursuant to Labor Code §§ 1194.2 and 1197.1;	
13	5. For preliminary and permanent injunctive relief enjoining DEFENDANTS from	
14	violating the relevant provisions of the Labor Code and the IWC Wage Orders, and from engaging in	
15	the unlawful business practices complained of herein;	
16	6. For waiting time penalties pursuant to Labor Code § 203;	
17	7. For statutory and civil penaltics according to proof, including but not limited to all	
18	penalties authorized by the Labor Code §§ 226(c) and 2699;	
19	8. For interest on the unpaid wages at 10% per annum pursuant to Labor Code §§ 218.6,	
20	1194, 2802, California Civil Code §§ 3287, 3288, and/or any other applicable provision providing for	
21	pre-judgment interest;	
22	9. For reasonable attorneys' fees and costs pursuant to Labor Code §§ 1194, 2699, 2802,	
23	California Civil Code § 1021.5, and/or any other applicable provisions providing for attorneys' fees	
24	and costs;	
25	10. For declaratory relief;	
26	11. For an order requiring and certifying the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth,	
27	Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, and Tenth Causes of Action as a class action;	
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1	12.	For an order appointing PLAINTIFF as class representative, and PLAINTIFF's
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3	13.	For such further relief that the Court may deem just and proper.
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5	DATED:	2/13/15 Respectfully Submitted,
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