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CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

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Deputy

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:
(AVISO AL DEMANDADO):

CHARTWELL STAFFING SERVICES, INC., an unknown business entity; "Additional Parties Attachment form is attached."

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF:
(LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE):

MARCELL WEST, individually, "Additional Parties Attachment form is attached."

NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. ¡AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación.

Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia.

Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucorte.ca.gov) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10,000 ó más de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso.

The name and address of the court is:

(El nombre y dirección de la corte es): Superior Court of State of California

County of Alameda, Rene C. Davidson Courthouse

1225 Fallon Street, Oakland, California 94612

The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is:

(El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):

Edwin Aiwasian, 410 Arden Ave., Suite. 203, Glendale, CA 91203; Telephone No. (818) 265-1020

CASE NUMBER:
(Número del Caso):

RG21090607

DATE:

(Fecha)

MAY 18 2021

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER/CLERK

Clerk, by

(Secretario)

NICOLE HALL

, Deputy

(Adjunto)

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NOTICE TO THE PERSON SERVED: You are served

1. ☐ as an individual defendant.

2. ☐ as the person sued under the fictitious name of (specify):

3. ☐ on behalf of (specify):

under: ☐ CCP 416.10 (corporation)

☐ CCP 416.20 (defunct corporation)

☐ CCP 416.40 (association or partnership)

☐ other (specify):

4. ☐ by personal delivery on (date):

☐ CCP 416.60 (minor)

☐ CCP 416.70 (conservatee)

☐ CCP 416.90 (authorized person)

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THYSSENKRUPP INDUSTRIAL SERVICES NA, INC., an unknown business entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive,

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA**

MARCELL WEST, individually, and on
behalf of other members of the general public
similarly situated and on behalf of other
aggrieved employees pursuant to the
California Private Attorney General Act;

Plaintiff,

vs.

CHARTWELL STAFFING SERVICES,
INC., an unknown business entity;
THYSSENKRUPP INDUSTRIAL
SERVICES NA, INC., an unknown business
entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive,

Defendants.

Case No.: RG21090607

Honorable Brad Seligman
Department 23

**FIRST AMENDED CLASS ACTION
COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES &
ENFORCEMENT UNDER THE PRIVATE
ATTORNEYS GENERAL ACT
CALIFORNIA LABOR CODE § 2698, ET
SEQ.**

- (1) Violation of California Labor Code §§ 510 and 1198 (Unpaid Overtime);
- (2) Violation of California Labor Code §§ 226.7 and 512(a) (Unpaid Meal Period Premiums);
- (3) Violation of California Labor Code § 226.7 (Unpaid Rest Period Premiums);
- (4) Violation of California Labor Code §§ 1194, 1197, and 1197.1 (Unpaid Minimum Wages);
- (5) Violation of California Labor Code §§ 201 and 202 (Final Wages Not Timely Paid);
- (6) Violation of California Labor Code § 204 (Wages Not Timely Paid During Employment);
- (7) Violation of California Labor Code § 226(a) (Non-Compliant Wage Statements);
- (8) Violation of California Labor Code § 1174(d) (Failure To Keep Requisite Payroll Records);
- (9) Violation of California Labor Code §§ 2800 and 2802 (Unreimbursed Business Expenses);

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(10) Violation of California Business &
Professions Code §§ 17200, et seq.
(11) Violation of California Labor Code
§, et seq. (California Labor Code
Private Attorneys General Act of
2004)

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

COMES NOW, Plaintiff MARCELL WEST (“Plaintiff”), individually, and on behalf of
other members of the general public similarly situated and on behalf of other aggrieved
employees pursuant to the California Private Attorney General Act, and alleges as follows:

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

1. This class action is brought pursuant to the California Code of Civil Procedure
section 382. The monetary damages and restitution sought by Plaintiff exceeds the minimal
jurisdiction limits of the Superior Court and will be established according to proof at trial. The
“amount in controversy” for the named Plaintiff, including but not limited to claims for
compensatory damages, restitution, penalties, wages, premium pay, and pro rata share of
attorneys’ fees, is less than seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000).

2. This Court has jurisdiction over this action pursuant to the California
Constitution, Article VI, Section 10, which grants the superior court “original jurisdiction in all
other causes” except those given by statute to other courts. The statutes under which this
action is brought do not specify any other basis for jurisdiction.

3. This Court has jurisdiction over Defendants because, upon information and
belief, Defendants are citizens of California, have sufficient minimum contacts in California,
or otherwise intentionally avail themselves of the California market so as to render the exercise
of jurisdiction over them by California courts consistent with traditional notions of fair play
and substantial justice.

4. Venue is proper in this Court because, upon information and belief, Defendants
maintain offices, have agents, employ individuals, and/or transact business in the State of
California, County of Alameda.

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PARTIES

5. Plaintiff MARCELL WEST is an individual residing in the State of California.

6. Defendant CHARTWELL STAFFING SERVICES, INC., at all times herein mentioned, was and is, an employer whose employees are engaged throughout the State of California, including the County of Alameda.

7. Defendant THYSSENKRUPP INDUSTRIAL SERVICES NA, INC., at all times herein mentioned, was and is, an employer whose employees are engaged throughout the State of California, including the County of Alameda.

8. At all relevant times, Defendant CHARTWELL STAFFING SERVICES, INC., and Defendant THYSSENKRUPP INDUSTRIAL SERVICES NA, INC., were the “employer” of Plaintiff within the meaning of all applicable California laws and statutes.

9. At all times herein relevant, Defendants CHARTWELL STAFFING SERVICES, INC., THYSSENKRUPP INDUSTRIAL SERVICES NA, INC., and DOES 1 through 100, and each of them, were the agents, partners, joint venturers, joint employers, representatives, servants, employees, successors-in-interest, co-conspirators and/or assigns, each of the other, and at all times relevant hereto were acting within the course and scope of their authority as such agents, partners, joint venturers, joint employers, representatives, servants, employees, successors, co-conspirators and/or assigns, and all acts or omissions alleged herein were duly committed with the ratification, knowledge, permission, encouragement, authorization and/or consent of each defendant designated as a DOE herein.

10. The true names and capacities, whether corporate, associate, individual or otherwise, of defendants DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, are unknown to Plaintiff who sue said defendants by such fictitious names. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based on that information and belief alleges, that each of the defendants designated as a DOE is legally responsible for the events and happenings referred to in this Complaint, and unlawfully caused the injuries and damages to Plaintiff and the other class members as alleged in this Complaint. Plaintiff will seek leave of court to amend this Complaint to show the true names and capacities when the same have been ascertained.

11. Defendant CHARTWELL STAFFING SERVICES, INC., THYSSENKRUPP INDUSTRIAL SERVICES NA, INC., and DOES 1 through 100 will hereinafter collectively be referred to as “Defendants.”

12. Plaintiff further alleges that Defendants directly or indirectly controlled or affected the working conditions, wages, working hours, and conditions of employment of Plaintiff and the other class members so as to make each of said Defendants employers liable under the statutory provisions set forth herein.

CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS

13. Plaintiff bring this action on his own behalf and on behalf of all other members of the general public similarly situated, and, thus, seeks class certification under California Code of Civil Procedure section 382.

14. The proposed class is defined as follows:

All current and former hourly-paid or non-exempt employees who worked for any of the Defendants within the State of California at any time during the period from March 3, 2017 to final judgment and who reside in California.

(Subclass A) All current and former hourly-paid or non-exempt employees who worked for any of the Defendants within the State of California at any time during the period from March 3, 2017 to final judgment who were required by Defendants to stay on Defendant’s premises for rest breaks and who reside in California.

(Subclass B) All class members who were subject to Defendants practice of rounding time recorded for compensation of regular and overtime wages.

(Subclass C) All current and former hourly-paid or non-exempt employees who worked at THYSSENKRUPP INDUSTRIAL SERVICES NA, INC. through the staffing agency CHARTWELL STAFFING SERVICES, INC. within the State of California at any time during the period from March 3, 2017 to final judgment and who reside in California.

15. Plaintiff reserves the right to establish other subclasses as appropriate.

1 16. The class is ascertainable and there is a well-defined community of interest in
2 the litigation:

- 3 a. Numerosity: The class members are so numerous that joinder of all class
4 members is impracticable. The membership of the entire class is
5 unknown to Plaintiff at this time; however, the class is estimated to be
6 greater than fifty (50) individuals and the identity of such membership is
7 readily ascertainable by inspection of Defendants' employment records.
- 8 b. Typicality: Plaintiff's claims are typical of all other class members' as
9 demonstrated herein. Plaintiff will fairly and adequately protect the
10 interests of the other class members with whom he has a well-defined
11 community of interest.
- 12 c. Adequacy: Plaintiff will fairly and adequately protect the interests of
13 each class member, with whom he has a well-defined community of
14 interest and typicality of claims, as demonstrated herein. Plaintiff has no
15 interest that is antagonistic to the other class members. Plaintiff's
16 attorneys, the proposed class counsel, are versed in the rules governing
17 class action discovery, certification, and settlement. Plaintiff has
18 incurred, and during the pendency of this action will continue to incur,
19 costs and attorneys' fees, that have been, are, and will be necessarily
20 expended for the prosecution of this action for the substantial benefit of
21 each class member.
- 22 d. Superiority: A class action is superior to other available methods for the
23 fair and efficient adjudication of this litigation because individual joinder
24 of all class members is impractical.
- 25 e. Public Policy Considerations: Certification of this lawsuit as a class
26 action will advance public policy objectives. Employers of this great
27 state violate employment and labor laws every day. Current employees
28 are often afraid to assert their rights out of fear of direct or indirect

1 retaliation. However, class actions provide the class members who are
2 not named in the complaint anonymity that allows for the vindication of
3 their rights.

4 17. There are common questions of law and fact as to the class members that
5 predominate over questions affecting only individual members. The following common
6 questions of law or fact, among others, exist as to the members of the class:

- 7 a. Whether Defendants' failure to pay wages, without abatement or
8 reduction, in accordance with the California Labor Code, was willful;
- 9 b. Whether Defendants' had a corporate policy and practice of failing to
10 pay their hourly-paid or non-exempt employees within the State of
11 California for all hours worked and missed (short, late, interrupted,
12 and/or missed altogether) meal periods and rest breaks in violation of
13 California law;
- 14 c. Whether Defendants required Plaintiff and the other class members to
15 work over eight (8) hours per day and/or over forty (40) hours per week
16 and failed to pay the legally required overtime compensation to Plaintiff
17 and the other class members;
- 18 d. Whether Defendants deprived Plaintiff and the other class members of
19 meal and/or rest periods or required Plaintiff and the other class
20 members to work during meal and/or rest periods without compensation;
- 21 e. Whether Defendants failed to pay minimum wages to Plaintiff and the
22 other class members for all hours worked;
- 23 f. Whether Defendants failed to pay all wages due to Plaintiff and the other
24 class members within the required time upon their discharge or
25 resignation;
- 26 g. Whether Defendants failed to timely pay all wages due to Plaintiff and
27 the other class members during their employment;

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- 1 h. Whether Defendants complied with wage reporting as required by the
2 California Labor Code; including, *inter alia*, section 226;
- 3 i. Whether Defendants kept complete and accurate payroll records as
4 required by the California Labor Code, including, *inter alia*, section
5 1174(d);
- 6 j. Whether Defendants failed to reimburse Plaintiff and the other class
7 members for necessary business-related expenses and costs;
- 8 k. Whether Defendants' conduct was willful or reckless;
- 9 l. Whether Defendants engaged in unfair business practices in violation of
10 California Business & Professions Code section 17200, et seq.;
- 11 m. The appropriate amount of damages, restitution, and/or monetary
12 penalties resulting from Defendants' violation of California law; and
- 13 n. Whether Plaintiff and the other class members are entitled to
14 compensatory damages pursuant to the California Labor Code.

15 **PAGA ALLEGATIONS**

16 18. At all times herein set forth, PAGA was applicable to Plaintiff's employment by
17 Defendants.

18 19. At all times herein set forth, PAGA provides that any provision of law under the
19 California Labor Code that provides for a civil penalty, including unpaid wages and premium
20 wages, to be assessed and collected by the LWDA for violations of the California Labor Code
21 may, as an alternative, be recovered through a civil action brought by an aggrieved employee
22 on behalf of himself and other current or former employees pursuant to procedures outlined in
23 California Labor Code section 2699.3.

24 20. Pursuant to PAGA, a civil action under PAGA may be brought by an "aggrieved
25 employee," who is any person that was employed by the alleged violator and against whom
26 one or more of the alleged violations was committed.

27 21. Plaintiff was employed by Defendants and the alleged violations were
28 committed against him during his time of employment and he is, therefore, an aggrieved

1 employee. Plaintiff and the other employees are “aggrieved employees” as defined by
2 California Labor Code section 2699(c) in that they are current or former employees of
3 Defendants, and one or more of the alleged violations were committed against them.

4 22. Pursuant to California Labor Code sections 2699.3 and 2699.5, an aggrieved
5 employee, including Plaintiff, may pursue a civil action arising under PAGA after the
6 following requirements have been met:

7 a. The aggrieved employee shall give written notice by online submission
8 (hereinafter “Employee's Notice”) to the LWDA and by certified mail to
9 the employer of the specific provisions of the California Labor Code
10 alleged to have been violated, including the facts and theories to support
11 the alleged violations.

12 b. The LWDA shall provide notice (hereinafter “LWDA Notice”) to the
13 employer and the aggrieved employee by certified mail that it does not
14 intend to investigate the alleged violation within sixty (60) calendar days
15 of the postmark date of the Employee’s Notice. Upon receipt of the
16 LWDA Notice, or if the LWDA Notice is not provided within sixty-five
17 (65) calendar days of the postmark date of the Employee’s Notice, the
18 aggrieved employee may commence a civil action pursuant to California
19 Labor Code section 2699 to recover civil penalties in addition to any
20 other penalties to which the employee may be entitled.

21 23. On March 12, 2021, Plaintiff provided written notice by online submission to the
22 LWDA and by certified mail to Defendant GREEN PERSPECTIVES of the specific provisions
23 of the California Labor Code alleged to have been violated, including the facts and theories to
24 support the alleged violations. Plaintiff did not receive an LWDA Notice within sixty-five (65)
25 days of the date of the submission of Plaintiff’s Notice.

26 24. Therefore, the administrative prerequisites under California Labor Code section
27 2699.3(a) to recover civil penalties, in addition to other remedies, for violations of California

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Labor Code sections 201, 202, 203, 204, 226(a), 226.7, 510, 512(a), 1174(d), 1194, 1197, 1197.1, 1198, 2800 and 2802 have been satisfied.

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

25. At all relevant times set forth herein, Defendants employed Plaintiff and other persons as hourly-paid or non-exempt employees within the State of California, including the County of Alameda.

26. Defendants, jointly and severally, employed Plaintiff as an hourly-paid, non-exempt employee, from approximately March 2019 to approximately March 2020, in the State of California, County of Alameda.

27. Defendants hired Plaintiff and the other class members, classified them as hourly-paid or non-exempt employees, and failed to compensate them for all hours worked and missed meal periods and/or rest breaks.

28. Defendants had the authority to hire and terminate Plaintiff and the other class members, to set work rules and conditions governing Plaintiff's and the other class members' employment, and to supervise their daily employment activities.

29. Defendants exercised sufficient authority over the terms and conditions of Plaintiff's and the other class members' employment for them to be joint employers of Plaintiff and the other class members.

30. Defendants directly hired and paid wages and benefits to Plaintiff and the other class members.

31. Defendants continue to employ hourly-paid or non-exempt employees within the State of California.

32. Plaintiff and the other class members worked over eight (8) hours in a day, and/or forty (40) hours in a week during their employment with Defendants.

33. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that Defendants engaged in a pattern and practice of wage abuse against their hourly-paid or non-exempt employees within the State of California. This pattern and practice involved, *inter alia*, failing
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1 to pay them for all regular and/or overtime wages earned and for missed meal periods and rest
2 breaks in violation of California law.

3 34. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that Defendants
4 knew or should have known that Plaintiff and the other class members were entitled to receive
5 certain wages for overtime compensation and that they were not receiving accurate overtime
6 compensation for all overtime hours worked.

7 35. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that Defendants
8 failed to provide Plaintiff and the other class members all required rest and meal periods during
9 the relevant time period as required under the Industrial Welfare Commission Wage Orders
10 and thus they are entitled to any and all applicable penalties.

11 36. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that Defendants
12 knew or should have known that Plaintiff and the other class members were entitled to receive
13 all meal periods or payment of one additional hour of pay at Plaintiff's and the other class
14 member's regular rate of pay when a meal period was missed, and they did not receive all meal
15 periods or payment of one additional hour of pay at Plaintiff's and the other class member's
16 regular rate of pay when a meal period was missed.

17 37. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that Defendants
18 knew or should have known that Plaintiff and the other class members were entitled to receive
19 all rest periods or payment of one additional hour of pay at Plaintiff's and the other class
20 member's regular rate of pay when a rest period was missed, and they did not receive all rest
21 periods or payment of one additional hour of pay at Plaintiff's and the other class members'
22 regular rate of pay when a rest period was missed.

23 38. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that Defendants
24 knew or should have known that Plaintiff and the other class members were entitled to receive
25 at least minimum wages for compensation and that they were not receiving at least minimum
26 wages for all hours worked.

27 39. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that Defendants
28 knew or should have known that Plaintiff and the other class members were entitled to receive

1 all wages owed to them upon discharge or resignation, including overtime and minimum wages
2 and meal and rest period premiums, and they did not, in fact, receive all such wages owed to
3 them at the time of their discharge or resignation.

4 40. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that Defendants
5 knew or should have known that Plaintiff and the other class members were entitled to receive
6 all wages owed to them during their employment. Plaintiff and the other class members did
7 not receive payment of all wages, including overtime and minimum wages and meal and rest
8 period premiums, within any time permissible under California Labor Code section 204.

9 41. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that Defendants
10 knew or should have known that Plaintiff and the other class members were entitled to receive
11 complete and accurate wage statements in accordance with California law, but, in fact, they did
12 not receive complete and accurate wage statements from Defendants. The deficiencies
13 included, *inter alia*, the failure to include the total number of hours worked by Plaintiff and the
14 other class members.

15 42. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that Defendants
16 knew or should have known that Defendants had to keep complete and accurate payroll records
17 for Plaintiff and the other class members in accordance with California law, but, in fact, did
18 not keep complete and accurate payroll records.

19 43. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that Defendants
20 knew or should have known that Plaintiff and the other class members were entitled to
21 reimbursement for necessary business-related expenses.

22 44. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that Defendants
23 knew or should have known that they had a duty to compensate Plaintiff and the other class
24 members pursuant to California law, and that Defendants had the financial ability to pay such
25 compensation, but willfully, knowingly, and intentionally failed to do so, and falsely
26 represented to Plaintiff and the other class members that they were properly denied wages, all
27 in order to increase Defendants' profits.

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1 45. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to pay overtime wages to
2 Plaintiff and the other class members for all overtime hours worked. Plaintiff and the other
3 class members were required to work more than eight (8) hours per day and/or forty (40) hours
4 per week without overtime compensation for all overtime hours worked.

5 46. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to provide all requisite
6 uninterrupted meal and rest periods to Plaintiff and the other class members.

7 47. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to pay Plaintiff and the other
8 class members at least minimum wages for all hours worked.

9 48. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to pay Plaintiff and the other
10 class members all wages owed to them upon discharge or resignation.

11 49. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to pay Plaintiff and the other
12 class members all wages within any time permissible under California law, including, *inter*
13 *alia*, California Labor Code section 204.

14 50. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to provide complete or
15 accurate wage statements to Plaintiff and the other class members.

16 51. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to keep complete or accurate
17 payroll records for Plaintiff and the other class members.

18 52. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to reimburse Plaintiff and the
19 other class members for all necessary business-related expenses and costs.

20 53. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to properly compensate
21 Plaintiff and the other class members pursuant to California law in order to increase
22 Defendants' profits.

23 54. California Labor Code section 218 states that nothing in Article 1 of the Labor
24 Code shall limit the right of any wage claimant to "sue directly . . . for any wages or penalty
25 due to him [or her] under this article."

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FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

(Violation of California Labor Code §§ 510 and 1198)

(Against CHARTWELL STAFFING SERVICES, INC., THYSSENKRUPP

INDUSTRIAL SERVICES NA, INC., and DOES 1 through 100)

55. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 54, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set forth herein.

56. California Labor Code section 1198 and the applicable Industrial Welfare Commission (“IWC”) Wage Order provide that it is unlawful to employ persons without compensating them at a rate of pay either time-and-one-half or two-times that person’s regular rate of pay, depending on the number of hours worked by the person on a daily or weekly basis.

57. Specifically, the applicable IWC Wage Order provides that Defendants are and were required to pay Plaintiff and the other class members employed by Defendants, and working more than eight (8) hours in a day or more than forty (40) hours in a workweek, at the rate of time-and-one-half for all hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours in a day or more than forty (40) hours in a workweek.

58. The applicable IWC Wage Order further provides that Defendants are and were required to pay Plaintiff and the other class members overtime compensation at a rate of two times their regular rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of twelve (12) hours in a day.

59. California Labor Code section 510 codifies the right to overtime compensation at one-and-one-half times the regular hourly rate for hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours in a day or forty (40) hours in a week or for the first eight (8) hours worked on the seventh day of work, and to overtime compensation at twice the regular hourly rate for hours worked in excess of twelve (12) hours in a day or in excess of eight (8) hours in a day on the seventh day of work.

60. During the relevant time period, Plaintiff and the other class members worked in excess of eight (8) hours in a day, and/or in excess of forty (40) hours in a week.

61. During the relevant time period, Defendants intentionally and willfully failed to pay overtime wages owed to Plaintiff and the other class members.

62. Defendants' failure to pay Plaintiff and the other class members the unpaid balance of overtime compensation, as required by California laws, violates the provisions of California Labor Code sections 510 and 1198, and is therefore unlawful.

63. Pursuant to California Labor Code section 1194, Plaintiff and the other class members are entitled to recover unpaid overtime compensation, as well as interest, costs, and attorneys' fees.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

(Violation of California Labor Code §§ 226.7 and 512(a))

**(Against CHARTWELL STAFFING SERVICES, INC., THYSSENKRUPP
INDUSTRIAL SERVICES NA, INC., and DOES 1 through 100)**

64. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 63, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set forth herein.

65. At all relevant times, the IWC Order and California Labor Code sections 226.7 and 512(a) were applicable to Plaintiff's and the other class members' employment by Defendants.

66. At all relevant times, California Labor Code section 226.7 provides that no employer shall require an employee to work during any meal or rest period mandated by an applicable order of the California IWC.

67. At all relevant times, the applicable IWC Wage Order and California Labor Code section 512(a) provide that an employer may not require, cause or permit an employee to work for a work period of more than five (5) hours per day without providing the employee with a meal period of not less than thirty (30) minutes, except that if the total work period per day of the employee is no more than six (6) hours, the meal period may be waived by mutual consent of both the employer and employee.

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68. At all relevant times, the applicable IWC Wage Order and California Labor Code section 512(a) further provide that an employer may not require, cause or permit an employee to work for a work period of more than ten (10) hours per day without providing the employee with a second uninterrupted meal period of not less than thirty (30) minutes, except that if the total hours worked is no more than twelve (12) hours, the second meal period may be waived by mutual consent of the employer and the employee only if the first meal period was not waived.

69. During the relevant time period, Plaintiff and the other class members who were scheduled to work for a period of time no longer than six (6) hours, and who did not waive their legally-mandated meal periods by mutual consent, were required to work for periods longer than five (5) hours without an uninterrupted meal period of not less than thirty (30) minutes and/or rest period.

70. During the relevant time period, Plaintiff and the other class members who were scheduled to work for a period of time in excess of six (6) hours were required to work for periods longer than five (5) hours without an uninterrupted meal period of not less than thirty (30) minutes and/or rest period.

71. During the relevant time period, Defendants intentionally and willfully required Plaintiff and the other class members to work during meal periods and failed to compensate Plaintiff and the other class members the full meal period premium for work performed during meal periods.

72. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to pay Plaintiff and the other class members the full meal period premium due pursuant to California Labor Code section 226.7.

73. Defendants' conduct violates applicable IWC Wage Order and California Labor Code sections 226.7 and 512(a).

74. Pursuant to applicable IWC Wage Order and California Labor Code section 226.7(c), Plaintiff and the other class members are entitled to recover from Defendants one

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1 additional hour of pay at the employee's regular rate of compensation for each work day that
2 the meal or rest period is not provided.

3 **THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION**

4 **(Violation of California Labor Code § 226.7)**

5 **(Against CHARTWELL STAFFING SERVICES, INC., THYSSENKRUPP**

6 **INDUSTRIAL SERVICES NA, INC., and DOES 1 through 100)**

7 75. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1
8 through 74, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set
9 forth herein.

10 76. At all times herein set forth, the applicable IWC Wage Order and California
11 Labor Code section 226.7 were applicable to Plaintiff's and the other class members'
12 employment by Defendants.

13 77. At all relevant times, California Labor Code section 226.7 provides that no
14 employer shall require an employee to work during any rest period mandated by an applicable
15 order of the California IWC.

16 78. At all relevant times, the applicable IWC Wage Order provides that "[e]very
17 employer shall authorize and permit all employees to take rest periods, which insofar as
18 practicable shall be in the middle of each work period" and that the "rest period time shall be
19 based on the total hours worked daily at the rate of ten (10) minutes net rest time per four (4)
20 hours or major fraction thereof" unless the total daily work time is less than three and one-half
21 (3 ½) hours.

22 79. During the relevant time period, Defendants required Plaintiff and other class
23 members to work four (4) or more hours without authorizing or permitting a ten (10) minute
24 rest period per each four (4) hour period worked.

25 80. During the relevant time period, Defendants willfully required Plaintiff and the
26 other class members to work during rest periods and failed to pay Plaintiff and the other class
27 members the full rest period premium for work performed during rest periods.

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81. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to pay Plaintiff and the other class members the full rest period premium due pursuant to California Labor Code section 226.7

82. Defendants' conduct violates applicable IWC Wage Orders and California Labor Code section 226.7.

83. Pursuant to the applicable IWC Wage Orders and California Labor Code section 226.7(c), Plaintiff and the other class members are entitled to recover from Defendants one additional hour of pay at the employees' regular hourly rate of compensation for each work day that the rest period was not provided.

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Violation of California Labor Code §§ 1194, 1197, and 1197.1)

**(Against CHARTWELL STAFFING SERVICES, INC., THYSSENKRUPP
INDUSTRIAL SERVICES NA, INC., and DOES 1 through 100)**

84. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 83, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set forth herein.

85. At all relevant times, California Labor Code sections 1194, 1197, and 1197.1 provide that the minimum wage to be paid to employees, and the payment of a lesser wage than the minimum so fixed is unlawful.

86. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to pay minimum wage to Plaintiff and the other class members as required, pursuant to California Labor Code sections 1194, 1197, and 1197.1.

87. Defendants' failure to pay Plaintiff and the other class members the minimum wage as required violates California Labor Code sections 1194, 1197, and 1197.1. Pursuant to those sections Plaintiff and the other class members are entitled to recover the unpaid balance of their minimum wage compensation as well as interest, costs, and attorney's fees, and liquidated damages in an amount equal to the wages unlawfully unpaid and interest thereon.

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89. Pursuant to California Labor Code section 1194.2, Plaintiff and the other class members are entitled to recover liquidated damages in an amount equal to the wages unlawfully unpaid and interest thereon.

(Violation of California Labor Code §§ 201 and 202)

(Against CHARTWELL STAFFING SERVICES, INC., THYSSENKRUPP

INDUSTRIAL SERVICES NA, INC., and DOES 1 through 100)

90. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 89, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set forth herein.

91. At all relevant times herein set forth, California Labor Code sections 201 and 202 provide that if an employer discharges an employee, the wages earned and unpaid at the time of discharge are due and payable immediately, and if an employee quits his or her employment, his or her wages shall become due and payable not later than seventy-two (72) hours thereafter, unless the employee has given seventy-two (72) hours' notice of his or her intention to quit, in which case the employee is entitled to his or her wages at the time of quitting.

92. During the relevant time period, Defendants intentionally and willfully failed to pay Plaintiff and the other class members who are no longer employed by Defendants their wages, earned and unpaid, within seventy-two (72) hours of their leaving Defendants' employ.

93. Defendants' failure to pay Plaintiff and the other class members who are no longer employed by Defendants' their wages, earned and unpaid, within seventy-two (72) hours of their leaving Defendants' employ, is in violation of California Labor Code sections 201 and 202.

94. California Labor Code section 203 provides that if an employer willfully fails to pay wages owed, in accordance with sections 201 and 202, then the wages of the employee shall continue as a penalty from the due date thereof at the same rate until paid or until an action is commenced; but the wages shall not continue for more than thirty (30) days.

95. Plaintiff and the other class members are entitled to recover from Defendants the statutory penalty wages for each day they were not paid, up to a thirty (30) day maximum pursuant to California Labor Code section 203.

SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Violation of California Labor Code § 204)

(Against CHARTWELL STAFFING SERVICES, INC., THYSSENKRUPP

INDUSTRIAL SERVICES NA, INC., and DOES 1 through 100)

96. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 95, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set forth herein.

97. At all times herein set forth, California Labor Code section 204 provides that all wages earned by any person in any employment between the 1st and 15th days, inclusive, of any calendar month, other than those wages due upon termination of an employee, are due and payable between the 16th and the 26th day of the month during which the labor was performed.

98. At all times herein set forth, California Labor Code section 204 provides that all wages earned by any person in any employment between the 16th and the last day, inclusive, of any calendar month, other than those wages due upon termination of an employee, are due and payable between the 1st and the 10th day of the following month.

99. At all times herein set forth, California Labor Code section 204 provides that all wages earned for labor in excess of the normal work period shall be paid no later than the payday for the next regular payroll period.

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100. During the relevant time period, Defendants intentionally and willfully failed to pay Plaintiff and the other class members all wages due to them, within any time period permissible under California Labor Code section 204.

101. Plaintiff and the other class members are entitled to recover all remedies available for violations of California Labor Code section 204.

SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Violation of California Labor Code § 226(a))

**(Against CHARTWELL STAFFING SERVICES, INC., THYSSENKRUPP
INDUSTRIAL SERVICES NA, INC., and DOES 1 through 100)**

102. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 101, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set forth herein.

103. At all material times set forth herein, California Labor Code section 226(a) provides that every employer shall furnish each of his or her employees an accurate itemized statement in writing showing (1) gross wages earned, (2) total hours worked by the employee, (3) the number of piece-rate units earned and any applicable piece rate if the employee is paid on a piece-rate basis, (4) all deductions, provided that all deductions made on written orders of the employee may be aggregated and shown as one item, (5) net wages earned, (6) the inclusive dates of the period for which the employee is paid, (7) the name of the employee and his or her social security number, (8) the name and address of the legal entity that is the employer, and (9) all applicable hourly rates in effect during the pay period and the corresponding number of hours worked at each hourly rate by the employee. The deductions made from payments of wages shall be recorded in ink or other indelible form, properly dated, showing the month, day, and year, and a copy of the statement or a record of the deductions shall be kept on file by the employer for at least three years at the place of employment or at a central location within the State of California.

104. Defendants have intentionally and willfully failed to provide Plaintiff and the other class members with complete and accurate wage statements. The deficiencies include,

1 but are not limited to: the failure to include the total number of hours worked by Plaintiff and
2 the other class members.

3 105. As a result of Defendants' violation of California Labor Code section 226(a),
4 Plaintiff and the other class members have suffered injury and damage to their statutorily-
5 protected rights.

6 106. More specifically, Plaintiff and the other class members have been injured by
7 Defendants' intentional and willful violation of California Labor Code section 226(a) because
8 they were denied both their legal right to receive, and their protected interest in receiving,
9 accurate and itemized wage statements pursuant to California Labor Code section 226(a).

10 107. Plaintiff and the other class members are entitled to recover from Defendants the
11 greater of their actual damages caused by Defendants' failure to comply with California Labor
12 Code section 226(a), or an aggregate penalty not exceeding four thousand dollars per
13 employee.

14 108. Plaintiff and the other class members are also entitled to injunctive relief to
15 ensure compliance with this section, pursuant to California Labor Code section 226(h).

16 **EIGHTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

17 **(Violation of California Labor Code § 1174(d))**

18 **(Against CHARTWELL STAFFING SERVICES, INC., THYSSENKRUPP**

19 **INDUSTRIAL SERVICES NA, INC., and DOES 1 through 100)**

20 109. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1
21 through 108, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set
22 forth herein.

23 110. Pursuant to California Labor Code section 1174(d), an employer shall keep, at a
24 central location in the state or at the plants or establishments at which employees are
25 employed, payroll records showing the hours worked daily by and the wages paid to, and the
26 number of piece-rate units earned by and any applicable piece rate paid to, employees
27 employed at the respective plants or establishments. These records shall be kept in accordance

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1 with rules established for this purpose by the commission, but in any case shall be kept on file
2 for not less than two years.

3 111. Defendants have intentionally and willfully failed to keep accurate and complete
4 payroll records showing the hours worked daily and the wages paid, to Plaintiff and the other
5 class members.

6 112. As a result of Defendants' violation of California Labor Code section 1174(d),
7 Plaintiff and the other class members have suffered injury and damage to their statutorily-
8 protected rights.

9 113. More specifically, Plaintiff and the other class members have been injured by
10 Defendants' intentional and willful violation of California Labor Code section 1174(d) because
11 they were denied both their legal right and protected interest, in having available, accurate and
12 complete payroll records pursuant to California Labor Code section 1174(d).

13 **NINTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

14 **(Violation of California Labor Code §§ 2800 and 2802)**

15 **(Against CHARTWELL STAFFING SERVICES, INC., THYSSENKRUPP**

16 **INDUSTRIAL SERVICES NA, INC., and DOES 1 through 100)**

17 114. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1
18 through 113, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set
19 forth herein.

20 115. Pursuant to California Labor Code sections 2800 and 2802, an employer must
21 reimburse its employee for all necessary expenditures incurred by the employee in direct
22 consequence of the discharge of his or her job duties or in direct consequence of his or her
23 obedience to the directions of the employer.

24 116. Plaintiff and the other class members incurred necessary business-related
25 expenses and costs that were not fully reimbursed by Defendants.

26 117. Defendants have intentionally and willfully failed to reimburse Plaintiff and the
27 other class members for all necessary business-related expenses and costs.

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118. Plaintiff and the other class members are entitled to recover from Defendants their business-related expenses and costs incurred during the course and scope of their employment, plus interest accrued from the date on which the employee incurred the necessary expenditures at the same rate as judgments in civil actions in the State of California.

TENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

**(Violation of California Business & Professions Code §§ 17200, et seq.)
(Against CHARTWELL STAFFING SERVICES, INC., THYSSENKRUPP
INDUSTRIAL SERVICES NA, INC., and DOES 1 through 100)**

119. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 118, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set forth herein.

120. Defendants' conduct, as alleged herein, has been, and continues to be, unfair, unlawful and harmful to Plaintiff, other class members, to the general public, and Defendants' competitors. Accordingly, Plaintiff seek to enforce important rights affecting the public interest within the meaning of Code of Civil Procedure section 1021.5.

121. Defendants' activities as alleged herein are violations of California law, and constitute unlawful business acts and practices in violation of California Business & Professions Code section 17200, et seq.

122. A violation of California Business & Professions Code section 17200, et seq. may be predicated on the violation of any state or federal law. In this instant case, Defendants' policies and practices of requiring employees, including Plaintiff and the other class members, to work overtime without paying them proper compensation violate California Labor Code sections 510 and 1198. Additionally, Defendants' policies and practices of requiring employees, including Plaintiff and the other class members, to work through their meal and rest periods without paying them proper compensation violate California Labor Code sections 226.7 and 512(a). Defendants' policies and practices of failing to pay minimum wages violate California Labor Code sections 1194, 1197, and 1197.1. Moreover, Defendants' policies and practices of failing to timely pay wages to Plaintiff and the other class members violate

California Labor Code sections 201, 202 and 204. Defendants also violated California Labor Code sections 226(a), 1174(d), 2800 and 2802.

123. As a result of the herein described violations of California law, Defendants unlawfully gained an unfair advantage over other businesses.

124. Plaintiff and the other class members have been personally injured by Defendants' unlawful business acts and practices as alleged herein, including but not necessarily limited to the loss of money and/or property.

125. Pursuant to California Business & Professions Code sections 17200, et seq., Plaintiff and the other class members are entitled to restitution of the wages withheld and retained by Defendants during a period that commences March 3, 2017; an award of attorneys' fees pursuant to California Code of Civil procedure section 1021.5 and other applicable laws; and an award of costs.

ELEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Violation of California Labor Code §§ 2698, et seq.)

(Against CHARTWELL STAFFING SERVICES, INC., THYSSENKRUPP INDUSTRIAL SERVICES NA, INC., and DOES 1 through 100)

126. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 125, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set forth herein.

127. PAGA expressly establishes that any provision of the California Labor Code which provides for a civil penalty to be assessed and collected by the LWDA, or any of its departments, divisions, commissions, boards, agencies or employees for a violation of the California Labor Code, may be recovered through a civil action brought by an aggrieved employee on behalf of himself or herself, and other current or former employees.

128. Whenever the LWDA, or any of its departments, divisions, commissions, boards, agencies, or employees has discretion to assess a civil penalty, a court in a civil action is authorized to exercise the same discretion, subject to the same limitations and conditions, to assess a civil penalty.

1 129. Plaintiff and the other hourly-paid or non-exempt employees are “aggrieved
2 employees” as defined by California Labor Code section 2699(c) in that they are all current or
3 former employees of Defendants, and one or more of the alleged violations was committed
4 against them.

5 **Failure to Pay Overtime**

6 130. Defendants’ failure to pay legally required overtime wages to Plaintiff and the
7 other aggrieved employees is in violation of the Wage Orders and constitutes unlawful or
8 unfair activity prohibited by California Labor Code sections 510 and 1198.

9 **Failure to Provide Meal Periods**

10 131. Defendants’ failure to provide legally required meal periods to Plaintiff and the
11 other aggrieved employees is in violation of the Wage Orders and constitutes unlawful or
12 unfair activity prohibited by California Labor Code sections 226.7 and 512(a).

13 **Failure to Provide Rest Periods**

14 132. Defendants’ failure to provide legally required rest periods to Plaintiff and the
15 other aggrieved employees is in violation of the Wage Orders and constitutes unlawful or
16 unfair activity prohibited by California Labor Code section 226.7.

17 **Failure to Pay Minimum Wages**

18 133. Defendants’ failure to pay legally required minimum wages to Plaintiff and the
19 other aggrieved employees is in violation of the Wage Orders and constitutes unlawful or
20 unfair activity prohibited by California Labor Code sections 1194, 1197 and 1197.1.

21 **Failure to Timely Pay Wages Upon Termination**

22 134. Defendants’ failure to timely pay wages to Plaintiff and the other aggrieved
23 employees upon termination in accordance with Labor Code sections 201 and 202 constitutes
24 unlawful and/or unfair activity prohibited by California Labor Code sections 201 and 202.

25 **Failure to Timely Pay Wages During Employment**

26 135. Defendants’ failure to timely pay wages to Plaintiff and the other aggrieved
27 employees during employment in accordance with Labor Code section 204 constitutes
28 unlawful and/or unfair activity prohibited by California Labor Code section 204.

Failure to Provide Complete and Accurate Wage Statements

136. Defendants' failure to provide complete and accurate wage statements to Plaintiff and the other aggrieved employees in accordance with Labor Code section 226(a) constitutes unlawful and/or unfair activity prohibited by California Labor Code section 226(a).

Failure to Keep Complete and Accurate Payroll Records

137. Defendants' failure to keep complete and accurate payroll records relating to Plaintiff and the other aggrieved employees in accordance with California Labor Code section 1174(d) constitutes unlawful and/or unfair activity prohibited by California Labor Code section 1174(d).

Failure to Reimburse Necessary Business-Related Expenses and Costs

138. Defendants' failure to reimburse Plaintiff and the other aggrieved employees for necessary business-related expenses and costs in accordance with California Labor Code sections 2800 and 2802 constitutes unlawful and/or unfair activity prohibited by California Labor Code sections 2800 and 2802.

139. Pursuant to California Labor Code section 2699, Plaintiff, individually, and on behalf of all aggrieved employees, requests and is entitled to recover from Defendants and each of them, business expenses, unpaid wages, and/or untimely wages according to proof, interest, attorneys' fees and costs pursuant to California Labor Code section 218.5, as well as all statutory penalties against Defendants, and each of them, including but not limited to:

- a. Penalties under California Labor Code section 2699 in the amount of a hundred dollars (\$100) for each aggrieved employee per pay period for the initial violation, and two hundred dollars (\$200) for each aggrieved employee per pay period for each subsequent violation;
- b. Penalties under California Code of Regulations Title 8 section 11010, et seq. in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50) for each aggrieved employee per pay period for the initial violation, and one hundred dollars (\$100) for each aggrieved employee per pay period for each subsequent violation;

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- 1 c. Penalties under California Labor Code section 210 in addition to, and
2 entirely independent and apart from, any other penalty provided in the
3 California Labor Code in the amount of a hundred dollars (\$100) for each
4 aggrieved employee per pay period for the initial violation, and two
5 hundred dollars (\$200) for each aggrieved employee per pay period for
6 each subsequent violation; and
7 d. Any and all additional penalties and sums as provided by the California
8 Labor Code and/or other statutes.

9 140. Pursuant to California Labor Code section 2699(i), civil penalties recovered by
10 aggrieved employees shall be distributed as follows: seventy-five percent (75%) to the Labor
11 and Workforce Development Agency for the enforcement of labor laws and education of
12 employers and employees about their rights and responsibilities and twenty-five percent (25%)
13 to the aggrieved employees.

14 141. Further, Plaintiff is entitled to seek and recover reasonable attorneys' fees and
15 costs pursuant to California Labor Code sections 210, 218.5 and 2699 and any other applicable
16 statute.

17 **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

18 Plaintiff, individually, and on behalf of other members of the general public similarly
19 situated and on behalf of other aggrieved employees pursuant to the California Private
20 Attorneys General Act, requests a trial by jury.

21 **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

22 WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, individually, and on behalf of other members of the general
23 public similarly situated and on behalf of other aggrieved employees pursuant to the California
24 Private Attorneys General Act, prays for relief and judgment against Defendants, jointly and
25 severally, as follows:

26 **Class Certification**

- 27 1. That this action be certified as a class action;
28 2. That Plaintiff be appointed as the representative of the Class;

1 3. That counsel for Plaintiff be appointed as Class Counsel; and

2 4. That Defendants provide to Class Counsel immediately the names and most
3 current/last known contact information (address, e-mail and telephone numbers) of all class
4 members.

5 **As to the First Cause of Action**

6 5. That the Court declare, adjudge and decree that Defendants violated California
7 Labor Code sections 510 and 1198 and applicable IWC Wage Orders by willfully failing to pay
8 all overtime wages due to Plaintiff and the other class members;

9 6. For general unpaid wages at overtime wage rates and such general and special
10 damages as may be appropriate;

11 7. For pre-judgment interest on any unpaid overtime compensation commencing
12 from the date such amounts were due;

13 8. For reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of suit incurred herein pursuant to
14 California Labor Code section 1194; and

15 9. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

16 **As to the Second Cause of Action**

17 10. That the Court declare, adjudge and decree that Defendants violated California
18 Labor Code sections 226.7 and 512 and applicable IWC Wage Orders by willfully failing to
19 provide all meal periods (including second meal periods) to Plaintiff and the other class
20 members;

21 11. That the Court make an award to Plaintiff and the other class members of one
22 (1) hour of pay at each employee's regular rate of compensation for each workday that a meal
23 period was not provided;

24 12. For all actual, consequential, and incidental losses and damages, according to
25 proof;

26 13. For premium wages pursuant to California Labor Code section 226.7(c);

27 14. For pre-judgment interest on any unpaid wages from the date such amounts
28 were due;

15. For reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of suit incurred herein; and

16. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

As to the Third Cause of Action

17. That the Court declare, adjudge and decree that Defendants violated California Labor Code section 226.7 and applicable IWC Wage Orders by willfully failing to provide all rest periods to Plaintiff and the other class members;

18. That the Court make an award to Plaintiff and the other class members of one (1) hour of pay at each employee's regular rate of compensation for each workday that a rest period was not provided;

19. For all actual, consequential, and incidental losses and damages, according to proof;

20. For premium wages pursuant to California Labor Code section 226.7(c);

21. For pre-judgment interest on any unpaid wages from the date such amounts were due; and

22. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

As to the Fourth Cause of Action

23. That the Court declare, adjudge and decree that Defendants violated California Labor Code sections 1194, 1197, and 1197.1 by willfully failing to pay minimum wages to Plaintiff and the other class members;

24. For general unpaid wages and such general and special damages as may be appropriate;

25. For statutory wage penalties pursuant to California Labor Code section 1197.1 for Plaintiff and the other class members in the amount as may be established according to proof at trial;

26. For pre-judgment interest on any unpaid compensation from the date such amounts were due;

27. For reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of suit incurred herein pursuant to California Labor Code section 1194(a);

28. For liquidated damages pursuant to California Labor Code section 1194.2; and

29. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

As to the Fifth Cause of Action

30. That the Court declare, adjudge and decree that Defendants violated California Labor Code sections 201, 202, and 203 by willfully failing to pay all compensation owed at the time of termination of the employment of Plaintiff and the other class members no longer employed by Defendants;

31. For all actual, consequential, and incidental losses and damages, according to proof;

32. For statutory wage penalties pursuant to California Labor Code section 203 for Plaintiff and the other class members who have left Defendants' employ;

33. For pre-judgment interest on any unpaid compensation from the date such amounts were due; and

34. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

As to the Sixth Cause of Action

35. That the Court declare, adjudge and decree that Defendants violated California Labor Code section 204 by willfully failing to pay all compensation owed at the time required by California Labor Code section 204 to Plaintiff and the other class members;

36. For all actual, consequential, and incidental losses and damages, according to proof;

37. For pre-judgment interest on any unpaid compensation from the date such amounts were due; and

38. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

As to the Seventh Cause of Action

39. That the Court declare, adjudge and decree that Defendants violated the record keeping provisions of California Labor Code section 226(a) and applicable IWC Wage Orders as to Plaintiff and the other class members, and willfully failed to provide accurate itemized wage statements thereto;

- 1 40. For actual, consequential and incidental losses and damages, according to proof;
- 2 41. For statutory penalties pursuant to California Labor Code section 226(e);
- 3 42. For injunctive relief to ensure compliance with this section, pursuant to
- 4 California Labor Code section 226(h); and
- 5 43. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

6 **As to the Eighth Cause of Action**

7 44. That the Court declare, adjudge and decree that Defendants violated California

8 Labor Code section 1174(d) by willfully failing to keep accurate and complete payroll records

9 for Plaintiff and the other class members as required by California Labor Code section

10 1174(d);

- 11 45. For actual, consequential and incidental losses and damages, according to proof;
- 12 46. For statutory penalties pursuant to California Labor Code section 1174.5; and
- 13 47. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

14 **As to the Ninth Cause of Action**

15 48. That the Court declare, adjudge and decree that Defendants violated California

16 Labor Code sections 2800 and 2802 by willfully failing to reimburse Plaintiff and the other

17 class members for all necessary business-related expenses as required by California Labor

18 Code sections 2800 and 2802;

- 19 49. For actual, consequential and incidental losses and damages, according to proof;
- 20 50. For the imposition of civil penalties and/or statutory penalties;
- 21 51. For reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of suit incurred herein; and
- 22 52. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

23 **As to the Tenth Cause of Action**

24 53. That the Court decree, adjudge and decree that Defendants violated California

25 Business and Professions Code sections 17200, et seq. by failing to provide Plaintiff and the

26 other class members all overtime compensation due to them, failing to provide all meal and

27 rest periods to Plaintiff and the other class members, failing to pay at least minimum wages to

28 Plaintiff and the other class members, failing to pay Plaintiff's and the other class members'

wages timely as required by California Labor Code section 201, 202 and 204 and by violating California Labor Code sections 226(a), 1174(d), 2800 and 2802.

54. For restitution of unpaid wages to Plaintiff and all the other class members and all pre-judgment interest from the day such amounts were due and payable;

55. For the appointment of a receiver to receive, manage and distribute any and all funds disgorged from Defendants and determined to have been wrongfully acquired by Defendants as a result of violation of California Business and Professions Code sections 17200, et seq.;

56. For reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of suit incurred herein pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure section 1021.5;

57. For injunctive relief to ensure compliance with this section, pursuant to California Business and Professions Code sections 17200, et seq.; and

58. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

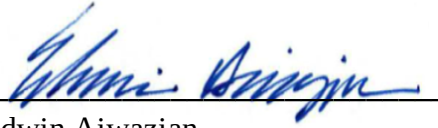
As to the Eleventh Cause of Action

59. For civil penalties and wages pursuant to California Labor Code sections 2699(a), (f) and (g) plus costs and attorneys' fees for violation of California Labor Code sections 201, 202, 203, 204, 226(a), 226.7, 510, 512(a), 1174(d), 1194, 1197, 1197.1, 1198, 2800 and 2802; and

60. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem equitable and appropriate.

Dated: May 17, 2021

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