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**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO**

JON BRAYALL, on behalf of aggrieved
employees and the State of California under the
Private Attorneys General Act,

Plaintiffs,

v.

CASTLEWORKS HOME SERVICES
COMPANY; AWHAP ACQUISITION CORP.;
AWHAP HOLDING CORP.; and DOES 1
through 50, inclusive,

Defendants.

Case No. 37-2023-00021278-CU-OE-CTL

Hon. Matthew C. Braner
Dept. 60

**NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER
GRANTING APPROVAL OF PAGA
ACTION SETTLEMENT AND
ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS AND
ENTERING JUDGMENT**

Action Filed: May 12, 2023

1 TO THE COURT, ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD, PLEASE
2 TAKE NOTICE THAT:

- 3 1. On June 26, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in this Department, the Court entered the Order Granting
4 Approval of PAGA Action Settlement and Attorneys' Fees and Costs and Entering Judgment
5 attached hereto as Exhibit 1.
- 6 2. The Judge confirmed the Court's Tentative Ruling attached hereto as Exhibit 2.
- 7 3. A conformed copy of this Notice will be submitted to the LWDA via its online electronic portal
8 in accordance with Labor Code § 2699(s)(3).
- 9 4. Notice of the Court's final ruling and entry of judgment is hereby provided.

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11 Respectfully submitted,

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13 Dated: June 30, 2026

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EXHIBIT 1

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San Diego Superior Court

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**~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER GRANTING
APPROVAL OF PAGA ACTION
SETTLEMENT AND ATTORNEYS' FEES
AND COSTS AND ENTERING JUDGMENT**

Motion for PAGA Approval Hearing:

Date: May 8, 2026

Time: 9:00 a.m.

[Filed concurrently with Plaintiff's Notice of
Motion and Motion for Approval of PAGA Action
Settlement, Plaintiff's Memorandum of Points and
Authorities, Declaration of Nicholas J. Ferraro, and
Declaration of Plaintiff Jon Brayall]

Action Filed: May 12, 2023

1 This matter came on for hearing on May 8, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 60 of the above-
2 captioned Court, the Honorable Matthew C. Braner presiding, on Plaintiff's Motion for Approval of
3 PAGA Action Settlement and Attorneys' Fees and Costs.

4 Having received and considered the Motion and supporting Memorandum of Points and
5 Authorities, Declaration of Nicholas J. Ferraro (and its exhibits), Declaration of Plaintiff Jon Brayall,
6 including the Private Attorneys General Act Settlement Agreement and Release ("Settlement"), the
7 Court makes the following determinations and orders:

8 Plaintiff's PAGA notice, Plaintiff's Complaint, and the Parties fully executed long form
9 Settlement Agreement are incorporated by reference. Terms used in this Order are derived from the
10 Settlement Agreement. The PAGA Period is defined as March 3, 2022 through April 23, 2025. The
11 PAGA Members means "all individuals currently or formerly employed by Defendants in California
12 as hourly, non-exempt employees during the PAGA Period [March 3, 2022 through April 23, 2025]".

13 Plaintiff's Motion for Approval of PAGA Action Settlement and Attorneys' Fees and Costs is
14 **GRANTED** and approved pursuant to California Labor Code section 2699(s)(2). After the attorneys'
15 fees, individual representative service payment, costs, and administrator's expenses are deducted from
16 the Gross Settlement Amount, the total PAGA Penalties Amount is \$252,611.23, of which 75%
17 (\$189,458.42) shall be distributed to the LWDA and the remaining 25% (\$63,152.81) shall be
18 distributed to the aggrieved employees as their share of PAGA penalties.

19 Accordingly, the \$435,000 gross settlement shall be distributed as follows:

- 20 1. \$189,458.42 to the Labor and Workforce Development Agency for PAGA penalties;
- 21 2. \$63,152.81 to the PAGA Employees;
- 22 3. \$10,000.00 to Plaintiff Jon Brayall;
- 23 4. \$144,985.50 to Plaintiff's counsel for attorneys' fees;
- 24 5. \$20,153.27 to Plaintiff's counsel for costs; and
- 25 6. *Up to* \$7,250.00 to the Settlement Administrator (any remaining unused fees will be shared with
26 the PAGA members).

27 Plaintiff, Defendants, and the Settlement Administrator are ordered to carry out the terms of the
28 settlement in accordance with the Settlement Agreement.

1 Upon the Effective Date of this Order, Defendants and the Released Parties shall be entitled to
2 a full and complete release of the Released Claims from the PAGA Members and a full and complete
3 release from Plaintiff. The "Released Claims" for the PAGA Members are the PAGA claims alleged,
4 and/or could have been alleged, arising out of the facts alleged in Plaintiff's Complaint and PAGA
5 Notices during the PAGA Period, including, without limitation, penalties predicated on the underlying
6 alleged violations for civil penalties under PAGA (Labor Code §§ 2698 *et seq.*).

7 This Settlement (including this Order) cannot be used, directly or indirectly, to introduce, use,
8 or admit in this case or in any other judicial, arbitral, administrative, investigative or other forum or
9 proceeding, as purported evidence of any violation of any federal, state, or local law, statute, ordinance,
10 regulation, rule or executive order (i.e., evidence of a "first" or "initial" violation), or any liability,
11 obligation, or duty at law or in equity, or for any other purpose. This Settlement (including this Order)
12 shall not be construed to be an admission by Defendants of any liability or wrongdoing as to Plaintiff,
13 the PAGA Members, or any other person, and Defendants specifically disclaim any such liability or
14 wrongdoing.

15 Without affecting the finality of this Order or the entry of judgment in any way, the Court retains
16 jurisdiction on all matters relating to the interpretation, administration, implementation, and
17 enforcement of this Order and the Settlement.

18 The Court hereby ENTERS JUDGMENT in accordance with the terms of the Settlement, in
19 accordance with this Approval Order and Judgement.

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21 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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23 Date: 6/20/26



24 The Honorable Matthew C. Braner
25 Judge of the Superior Court
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EXHIBIT 2

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
CENTRAL COURTHOUSE
TENTATIVE RULING**

HEARING DATE: 6/26/2026

JUDICIAL OFFICER: MATTHEW C. BRANER

CASE NO.: 37-2023-00021278-CU-OE-CTL

CASE TITLE: Brayall vs Castleworks Home Services Company [IMAGED]

The court will hear from the parties regarding Plaintiff Jon Brayall's request for a \$10,000 incentive award, which Defendants oppose.

The court notes that other than the issue regarding the requested incentive award, it is inclined to approve the settlement in full.