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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

MARIA VENTURA, on behalf of herself
and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

vs.

BRAUN LINEN SERVICE, INC., a
California corporation; and DOES 1 through
100, inclusive,

Defendants.

CLAUDIA GONZALEZ, as an individual
and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

vs.

BRAUN LINEN SERVICE, INC., a
California corporation; and DOES 1 through
100, inclusive,

Defendants.

Case Nos.: 24STCV23275 (Lead Case)
25STCV10755

CLASS ACTION

*[Assigned for all purposes to the Hon.
Samantha P. Jessner, Dept. SSC-7]*

[FURTHER AMENDED ~~PROPOSED~~] FINAL JUDGMENT

Date: June 22, 2026
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Dept.: SSC-7

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1 This matter came on regularly for hearing before this Court on June 22, 2026, pursuant
2 to California Rule of Court 3.769 and this Court’s February 9, 2026 Order Granting Preliminary
3 Approval of Class Action Settlement (“Preliminary Approval Order”). Having considered the
4 parties’ Settlement Agreement (referred to hereinafter as “Settlement” or “Settlement
5 Agreement”)¹ and the documents and evidence presented in support thereof, and the submissions
6 of counsel, the Court hereby ORDERS and enters JUDGMENT as follows:

7 1. Final judgment (“Judgment”) in this matter is hereby entered in conformity with
8 the Settlement, the Preliminary Approval Order, and this Court’s Order Granting Final Approval
9 of Class Action Settlement. The Settlement Class is defined as:

10 All individuals who worked for Braun Linen in California in a non-exempt
11 position at any time from September 9, 2020 through September 6, 2025.

12 This includes the PAGA Group, defined as:

13 All individuals who worked for Braun Lined in California in a non-exempt
14 position at any time from April 9, 2024 through September 6, 2025.

15 2. Plaintiff Maria Ventura and Plaintiff Claudia Gonzalez are hereby confirmed as
16 Class Representatives, and Scott M. Lidman, Milan Moore, and Tiara Gose-Hardy of Lidman
17 Law, APC; Paul K. Haines of Haines Law Group, APC; and Tuvia Korobkin, F. Shawn
18 Azizollahi, and Nancy Goodes of Marquee Law Group APC are hereby confirmed as Class
19 Counsel.

20 3. Notice was provided to the 620 Settlement Class Members as set forth in the
21 Settlement. The form and manner of notice were approved by the Court on February 9, 2026,
22 and the notice process has been completed in conformity with the Court’s Order. The Court
23 finds that said notice was the best notice practicable under the circumstances. The Notice of
24 Pendency of Class Action and Proposed Settlement provided due and adequate notice of the
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27 ¹ Unless otherwise indicated, all terms used in this Order shall have the same meaning as that assigned to them in the
28 Settlement.

proceedings and matters set forth therein, informed Settlement Class members of their rights, and fully satisfied the requirements of California Code of Civil Procedure § 1781(e), California Rule of Court 3.769, and due process.

4. The Court finds that no Settlement Class member objected to the Settlement, that zero (0) of the 620 class members have requested to be excluded/opted out of the Settlement, and that the 100 percent participation rate in the Settlement supports final approval.

5. The Court hereby approves the settlement as set forth in the Settlement Agreement as fair, reasonable, and adequate, and directs the parties to effectuate the Settlement Agreement according to its terms.

6. For purposes of settlement only, the Court finds that (a) the members of the Settlement Class are ascertainable and so numerous that joinder of all members individually is impracticable; (b) there are questions of law or fact common to the Settlement Class, and there is a well-defined community of interest among members of the Settlement Class with respect to the subject matter of the litigation; (c) the claims of the Class Representatives are typical of the claims of the members of the Settlement Class; (d) the Class Representatives have fairly and adequately protected the interests of the Settlement Class members; (e) a class action is superior to other available methods for an efficient adjudication of this controversy; and (f) Class Counsel are qualified to serve as counsel for the Class Representatives and the Settlement Class.

7. The Court orders Defendant to deliver the Settlement Amount of Five Million Dollars and Zero Cents (\$5,000,000.00) to Phoenix Settlement Administrators, the Settlement Administrator, as provided for in the Settlement. Specifically, Defendant shall fully fund the Gross Settlement Amount, including all amounts necessary to fully pay Defendant's share of payroll taxes, by transmitting such funds to the Administrator in three separate payments: (1) \$1,666,666.67 by no later than thirty days after the date on which Final Approval of the Settlement is granted; (2) \$1,666,666.67 within 180 days of the First Payment's due date; and (3) the remaining \$1,666,666.66 (plus all amounts necessary to fully pay its share of payroll taxes) by within 180 days of the Second Payment's due date.

1 8. The Court finds that the settlement payments, as provided for in the Settlement,
2 are fair, reasonable, and adequate, and orders the Settlement Administrator to distribute the
3 individual payments in conformity with the terms of the Settlement.

4 9. The Court finds that an incentive payment in the amount of \$7,500.00 for Plaintiff
5 Maria Ventura is appropriate for her risks undertaken and service to the Settlement Class. The
6 Court finds that this award is fair, reasonable, and adequate, and orders that the Settlement
7 Administrator make this payment in conformity with the terms of the Settlement.

8 10. The Court finds that an incentive payment in the amount of \$7,500.00 for Plaintiff
9 Caludia Gonzalez is appropriate for her risks undertaken and service to the Settlement Class.
10 The Court finds that this award is fair, reasonable, and adequate, and orders that the Settlement
11 Administrator make this payment in conformity with the terms of the Settlement.

12 11. The Court finds that attorneys' fees in the amount of \$1,666,666.67 and actual
13 litigation costs of \$30,503.29 for Class Counsel, are fair, reasonable, and adequate, and orders
14 that the Settlement Administrator distribute these payments to Class Counsel in conformity with
15 the terms of the Settlement.

16 12. The Court orders that the Settlement Administrator shall be paid \$11,000.00 from
17 the Gross Settlement Amount for all of its work done and to be done until the completion of this
18 matter, and finds that sum appropriate.

19 13. The Court finds that the payment of \$400,000.00 in PAGA civil penalties to the
20 California Labor & Workforce Development Agency ("LWDA") and the PAGA Group as
21 settlement of Plaintiff's representative action under the California Labor Code Private Attorneys
22 General Act ("PAGA") is fair, reasonable, and adequate. The Court orders the Settlement
23 Administrator to distribute \$260,000.00 (or 65 percent of the PAGA civil penalties) to the
24 LWDA in conformity with the terms of the Settlement. The remaining 35 percent, or
25 \$140,000.00 of the PAGA civil penalties, is to be distributed to the 342 members of the PAGA
26 Group in conformity with the terms of the Settlement. The highest individual payment from the
27 PAGA Amount is estimated to be approximately \$691.08, the average individual payment from
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the PAGA Amount is estimated to be approximately \$409.36, and the lowest individual payment from the PAGA Amount is estimated to be approximately \$11.15.

14. Pursuant to the terms of the Settlement, the employer's share of payroll taxes for the portion of the Net Settlement Amount allocated to wages shall be paid by Defendant separately, and in addition to, the Class Settlement Amount.

15. After the above deductions, attorneys' fees (\$1,666,666.67), attorneys' litigation costs (\$30,503.29), incentive payments to Plaintiffs (\$7,500.00 each, totaling \$15,000.00), Settlement Administrator costs (\$11,000.00), and PAGA civil penalties (\$400,000.00), the Net Settlement Amount of \$2,876,830.04 is to be distributed to 620 Settlement Class members, that worked a total of 45,886 workweeks during the Class Period, in conformity with the terms of the Settlement. The lowest individual Settlement Award to be paid to a Settlement Class member is estimated to be approximately \$62.69, the highest individual Settlement Award is estimated to be approximately \$15,313.52, and the average individual Settlement Award to be paid is estimated to be approximately \$4,640.05.

16. The Court finds and determines that upon satisfaction of all obligations under the Settlement and this Order, all Settlement Class members will be bound by the Settlement, will have released the Released Claims as set forth in the Settlement, and will be permanently barred from prosecuting against Defendant any of the Released Claims pursuant to the Settlement.

17. Upon the (i) Effective Date² occurring and (ii) the Gross Settlement Amount and employer-side payroll taxes being fully funded by Defendant, Plaintiffs and every Settlement Class member who does not opt out of the class portion of the Settlement ("Participating Class Members") will release and discharge Defendant and each of its former, present and future owners, parents, and subsidiaries, and all of their current, former and future spouse(s), children, officers, directors, investors, members, managers, employees, consultants, partners,

² The Effective Date of the settlement agreement shall be the day after both of the following have occurred: (i) final approval of the settlement is granted by the Court and Judgment is entered thereon, and (ii) Judgment approving the settlement becomes Final.

1 shareholders, joint venturers, agents, predecessors, successors, assigns, accountants, insurers,
2 reinsurers, advisors, joint venturers, management companies, trustees, heirs, executors, and legal
3 representatives (the “Released Parties”) from any and all causes of action, claims, rights,
4 damages, and penalties under California law that were alleged in the operative Complaints in the
5 Actions or that could have been alleged based on the facts alleged in the operative Complaints
6 in the Actions, including but not limited to: (a) any alleged failure by Defendant (1) to pay at
7 least the minimum wage for all hours worked, (2) to pay overtime wages, (3) to provide meal
8 periods or pay meal period premium wages, (4) to authorize and permit rest periods or pay rest
9 period premium wages, (5) to issue compliant wage statements, or (6) to timely pay wages during
10 and at the end of employment; (b) any right or clam for unfair business practices in violation of
11 California Business & Professions Code section 17200, *et seq.*, based on the alleged failure set
12 forth in (a)(1) through (a)(6) above; and (c) any violation of the California Labor Code arising
13 from or related to the conduct alleged in (a)(1) through (a)(6) above, including, without
14 limitation, violation of California Labor Code sections 201-204, 210, 226, 226.7, 510, 512, 516,
15 1182.12, 1194, 1194.2, 1197, 1198, or any other applicable state statute, rule and/or regulation
16 (Wage Order), arising from their employment with Defendant during the Class Release Period
17 (“California Released Claims”).

18 18. Upon (i) the Effective Date occurring and (ii) the Gross Settlement Amount and
19 employer-side payroll taxes being fully funded by Defendant, all members of the PAGA Group
20 (whether or not they opt out of the Settlement) shall release any right or claim for civil penalties
21 or other relief pursuant to the PAGA arising under the California Labor Code or Wage Orders
22 based on the allegations set forth in the PAGA notice letters submitted by Plaintiffs to the
23 LWDA, including but not limited to civil penalties and other PAGA relief based on the alleged
24 violation set forth in (a)(1) through (a)(6) in the immediately preceding paragraph, arising from
25 their employment with Defendant during the PAGA Release Period (“PAGA Released Claims”).

26 19. Upon (i) the Effective Date occurring and (ii) the Gross Settlement Amount and
27 employer-side payroll taxes being fully funded by Defendant, and in exchange for their Class
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Representative Service Payments, Plaintiffs, as the named Class Representatives, shall further release the Released Parties from any and all claims, demands, rights, liabilities, and/or causes of action, of any form whatsoever, arising from their employment with Defendant, including, but not limited to, those arising under federal, state or local laws, rules, or regulations, arising at any time prior to the date that Plaintiffs sign the Settlement Agreement ("Plaintiffs' Released Claims"). As to the Plaintiffs' Released Claims only, Plaintiffs expressly waive all rights and benefits under the terms of section 1542 of the California Civil Code, which reads:

A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY.

20. The Releases identified herein shall be null and void if Defendant fails to fully fund the settlement.

21. This document shall constitute a final judgment pursuant to California Rule of Court 3.769(h), which provides, "If the court approves the settlement agreement after the final approval hearing, the court must make and enter judgment. The judgment must include a provision for the retention of the court's jurisdiction over the parties to enforce the terms of the judgment. The court may not enter an order dismissing the action at the same time as, or after, entry of judgment."

22. The Court will retain jurisdiction to enforce the Settlement, the Final Approval Order, and this Judgment.

JUDGMENT IS SO ENTERED.

Dated: 06/22/2026, 2026



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Samantha Jessner".

Samantha Jessner / Judge

Honorable Samantha P. Jessner
Judge of the Superior Court