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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

ALICIA VELASQUEZ, as an individual and
 on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

vs.

LINZER PRODUCTS CORPORATION, a
 New York corporation; and DOES 1 through
 100, inclusive,

Defendants.

Case No. 22STCV28665

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

**~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER GRANTING
 PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF CLASS
 ACTION SETTLEMENT**

Date: December 5, 2023
 Time: 10:00 a.m.
 Dept.: SSC-7

1 The Motion of Plaintiff Alicia Linzer (“Plaintiff”) for Preliminary Approval of Class Action
2 Settlement will come on regularly for hearing before this Court on December 5, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
3 The Court, having considered the proposed Class Action and PAGA Settlement Agreement and Class
4 Notice (the “Settlement”), attached as Exhibit 2 to the Declaration of Scott M. Lidman filed
5 concurrently with the Motion; having considered Plaintiff’s Motion for Preliminary Approval of Class
6 Action Settlement, Memorandum of Points and Authorities in support thereof, and supporting
7 declarations filed therewith; and good cause appearing, HEREBY ORDERS THE FOLLOWING:

8 1. The Court GRANTS preliminary approval of the class action settlement as set forth in
9 the Settlement and finds its terms to be within the range of reasonableness of a settlement that ultimately
10 could be granted approval by the Court at a Final Fairness Hearing. For purposes of the Settlement,
11 the Court finds that the proposed Settlement Class is ascertainable and that there are a sufficiently well-
12 defined community of interest among the members of the Settlement Class in questions of law and fact.
13 Therefore, for settlement purposes only, the Court grants conditional certification of the following
14 Settlement Class:

15 All current and former non-exempt, hourly employees of Defendant Linzer
16 Products Corp. who worked for Defendant Linzer Products Corp. at any
17 time in California during the Class Period, including all current and former
18 non-exempt, hourly employees assigned by staffing agencies Partnership
19 Staffing Solutions, LLC, Partnership 3, Inc., or Partners Personnel
20 Management Services, LLC to work for Defendant Linzer Products Corp.
21 at any time in California during the Class Period.

22 Class Period means the time period between September 2, 2018 and
23 Preliminary Approval, unless Defendant elects to exercise its option to end
24 the Class Period earlier pursuant to the Escalator Clause.

25 2. For purposes of the Settlement, the Court designates named Plaintiff Alicia Velazquez as
26 Class Representative, and Scott M. Lidman, Elizabeth Nguyen, and Milan Moore of Lidman Law, APC
27 and Paul Haines of Haines Law Group, APC as Class Counsel.

28 3. The Court designates Phoenix Class Action Administration Solutions as the third-party
Settlement Administrator for mailing notices.

4. The Court approves, as to form and content, the Notice of Class Action Settlement and
Hearing Date for Final Court Approval (“Class Notice”) and is attached to the Settlement as Exhibit A.

1 5. The Court finds that the form of notice to the Settlement Class regarding the pendency of
2 the action and of the Settlement, and the methods of giving notice to members of the Settlement Class,
3 constitutes the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and constitute valid, due, and sufficient
4 notice to all members of the Settlement Class. The form and method of giving notice complies fully
5 with the requirements of California Code of Civil Procedure section 382, California Civil Code section
6 1781, California Rules of Court 3.766 and 3.769, the California and United States Constitutions, and
7 other applicable law.

8 6. The Court further approves the procedures for Settlement Class Members to opt out of or
9 object to the Settlement, as set forth in the Class Notice.

10 7. The procedures and requirements for filing objections in connection with the Final
11 Fairness Hearing are intended to ensure the efficient administration of justice and the orderly
12 presentation of any Settlement Class Member's objection to the Settlement, in accordance with the due
13 process rights of all Settlement Class Members.

14 8. The Court directs the Settlement Administrator to mail the Class Notice to the members
15 of the Settlement Class in accordance with the terms of the Settlement.

16 9. The Class Notice shall provide at least 60 calendar days' notice for members of the
17 Settlement Class to opt out of, or object to, the Settlement.

18 10. The Final Fairness Hearing on the question of whether the Settlement should be finally
19 approved as fair, reasonable, and adequate is scheduled in Department 7 of this Court, located at 312
20 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, California, 90012 on April 23, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. /
21 ~~p.m.~~

22 11. At the Final Fairness Hearing, the Court will consider: (a) whether the Settlement should
23 be finally approved as fair, reasonable, and adequate for the Settlement Class; (b) whether a judgment
24 granting final approval of the Settlement should be entered; and (c) whether Plaintiff's application for
25 reasonable attorneys' fees, reimbursement of litigation expenses, service payment to Plaintiff, and
26 payment to the Labor and Workforce Development Agency ("LWDA") for penalties under the Labor
27 Code Private Attorneys General Act ("PAGA") should be granted.

28 12. Counsel for the parties shall file memoranda, declarations, or other statements and

materials in support of their request for final approval of the Settlement, attorneys' fees, litigation expenses, Plaintiff's service award, settlement administration costs, and payment to the LWDA for PAGA penalties prior to the Final Fairness Hearing according to the time limits set by the Code of Civil Procedure and the California Rules of Court.

13. An implementation schedule is below:

Event	Date
Defendant to provide Class Data to Settlement Administrator	30 calendar days after issuance of the preliminary approval order
Settlement Administrator to mail Notice Packets to Class Members	14 calendar days after receiving Class Information from Defendant
Deadline for Class Members to request exclusion from, submit disputes, or object to, the Settlement	60 calendar days after mailing of the Notice by the Settlement Administrator
Deadline for Plaintiff to file Motion for Final Approval of Class Action Settlement:	16 court days in advance of hearing
Final Fairness Hearing:	April 23, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. 2024 at a.m./p.m.

14. Pending the Final Fairness Hearing, all proceedings in this action, other than proceedings necessary to carry out or enforce the terms and conditions of the Settlement and this Order, are stayed.

15. Counsel for the parties are hereby authorized to utilize all reasonable procedures in connection with the administration of the Settlement which are not materially inconsistent with either this Order or the terms of the Settlement.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: 12/05/2023, 2023



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lawrence P. Riff".

Lawrence P. Riff/Judge
Honorable Lawrence P. Riff
Judge of the Superior Court