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**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FOR THE COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA**

STEPHANIE SENNA, individually, on behalf of
all others similarly situated, and on behalf of the
State of California and other aggrieved persons,

Plaintiff,

v.

THE JOINT CORP. dba "THE JOINT
CHIROPRACTIC MANAGEMENT
COMPANY," a Delaware corporation; and
DOES 1 through 10, inclusive,

Defendants.

Case No.: C23-02194

*Assigned for all purposes to:
Hon. Julia Campins
Dept. 10*

**NOTICE OF MOTION AND MOTION
FOR FINAL APPROVAL OF CLASS
ACTION AND PAGA SETTLEMENT**

FINAL APPROVAL HEARING

Date: July 2, 2026
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Dept: 10

Action Filed: August 31, 2023
FAC filed: October 8, 2025
Trial Date: Not set

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on July 2, 2026 at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard in Department 10 of the above-entitled Court, located at 725 Court Street, Martinez, CA 94553 Plaintiff Stephanie Senna (“Plaintiff”) will and hereby does move this Court for an Order:

1. Granting final approval of the proposed Class Action and PAGA Settlement Agreement (the “Settlement”);
2. Awarding Class Counsel attorneys’ fees in the amount of \$490,000.00 and reimbursement of litigation costs in the amount of \$17,659.07;
3. Awarding Plaintiff a service payment in the amount of \$10,000.00;
4. Awarding \$10,825.00 to ILYM Group, Inc. (“ILYM”) for its settlement administration expenses; and
5. Approving allocation of \$50,000.00 as civil penalties under the Private Attorneys’ General Act of 2004 (“PAGA”), to be allocated as follows:
 - a. \$40,000.00 of the payment will be split 75%/25%, 75% of which (\$30,000.00) will be paid to the California Labor and Workforce Development Agency (“LWDA”), and 25% of which (\$10,000.00) will be distributed to Aggrieved Employees based on the number of pay periods worked during the PAGA Period; and
 - b. \$10,000.00 of the payment will be split 65%/35%, 65% of which (\$6,500.00) will be paid to the LWDA, and 35% of which (\$3,500.00) will be distributed to Aggrieved Employees based on the number of pay periods worked during the PAGA Period.

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1 This Motion is based on this Notice of Motion, Memorandum of Points and Authorities,
2 the accompanying declarations, and on all records and documents on file, together with such oral
3 and documentary evidence that may be presented at the hearing on this matter.

4 Dated: June 9, 2026

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1 **I. INTRODUCTION**

2 Plaintiff Stephanie Senna (“Plaintiff”) seeks final approval of a non-reversionary Gross
3 Settlement Amount of \$1,400,000.00. The Class Action and PAGA Settlement Agreement
4 (“Settlement”) provides that the deductions will be made from the Gross Settlement Amount:

- 5 1. Attorneys’ fees in the amount of up to \$490,000.00;
- 6 2. Litigation costs in the amount of up to \$25,000.00¹;
- 7 3. A Class Representative Service Payment of up to \$10,000.00;
- 8 4. Settlement administration expenses of up to \$10,825.00; and
- 9 5. Civil penalties in the amount of \$50,000.00 for claims under the Private
10 Attorneys’ General Act of 2004 (“PAGA”), allocated as follows:

- 11 a. \$40,000.00 of the payment will be split 75%/25%, 75% of which (\$30,000.00)
12 will be paid to the California Labor and Workforce Development Agency
13 (“LWDA”), and 25% of which (\$10,000.00) will be distributed to Aggrieved
14 Employees based on the number of pay periods worked during the PAGA Period;
15 and
- 16 b. \$10,000.00 of the payment will be split 65%/35%, 65% of which (\$6,500.00)
17 will be paid to the LWDA, and 35% of which (\$3,500.00) will be distributed to
18 Aggrieved Employees based on the number of pay periods worked during the
19 PAGA Period (*See* Settlement §§ 1.34, 3.2.5 ; *see also* Declaration of Nicole
20 Bench of ILYM Group, Inc. Regarding Notice and Settlement Administration
21 [“Bench Decl.”], ¶¶ 19, 21.)

22 After all deductions are made, the Net Settlement Amount will be distributed to 776
23 Class Members as of the filing of this Motion for Final Approval of Class Action and PAGA
24 Settlement (the “Motion”) (“Participating Class Members” or “Settlement Class Members”)
25 based on the number of weeks worked during the Class Period. (Bench Decl., ¶¶ 6, 18-22.)

26 The proposed Settlement is a product of diligent efforts, litigation, arm’s length

27 ¹ Class Counsel’s final litigation costs total \$17,659.07, which is inclusive of \$300.00 in future legal costs. (*see*
28 Declaration of Arrash T. Fattahi in Support of Motion for Final Approval of Class Action and PAGA Settlement
 [“Fattahi MFA Decl.”], ¶ 17, **Exhibit 3**.)

1 negotiations, and informal discovery that resulted in the best possible outcome for the Class. By
2 resolving this matter now, Settlement Class Members will receive a guaranteed recovery without
3 risk of nonpayment, delay, or an adverse judgment at trial.

4 There are no objections to the Settlement and no requests for exclusion. (Bench Decl.,
5 ¶¶ 14, 15.) The Participating Class Members will receive an average settlement payment of
6 \$1,058.65, with the highest payout reaching \$5,220.92. (Bench Decl., ¶ 21.) Aggrieved
7 Employees will receive an average settlement payment of \$24.73, with the highest payout
8 reaching \$77.82. (Bench Decl., ¶ 22.) Plaintiff's individual settlement payment totals \$472.67.
9 (Bench Decl., ¶ 23.) In light of the Class's favorable response, and the facts and law set forth
10 below as well as in the motion for preliminary approval, Plaintiff respectfully requests that the
11 Court now enter an Order: (1) granting final approval of the Settlement; (2) entering final
12 judgment; (3) requiring distribution of individual settlement shares to Participating Class
13 Members; and (4) approving payments for attorneys' fees, litigation costs, the Class
14 Representative Service Payment, Settlement Administration Expenses, and civil penalties under
15 PAGA.

16 **II. THE SETTLEMENT MERITS FINAL APPROVAL**

17 In deciding whether to grant final approval of a class action settlement, California courts
18 consider whether the settlement is "fair, adequate, and reasonable." (*Dunk v. Ford Motor Co.*
19 (1996) 48 Cal.App.4th 1794, 1801.) In evaluating whether a settlement is fair, adequate, and
20 reasonable, courts evaluate the following factors: (1) the strength of the plaintiff's case; (2) the
21 risk, expense, complexity and duration of further litigation; (3) the risk of maintaining class
22 action status through trial; (4) the amount offered in settlement; (5) the extent of discovery
23 completed and the stage of the proceedings; (6) the experience and views of counsel; (7) the
24 presence of a governmental participant; and (8) the reaction of class members to the proposed
25 settlement. (*Id.*)

26 **A. A Presumption of Fairness Exists**

27 While the burden is on the proponent to demonstrate that a proposed settlement is fair,
28 adequate, and reasonable, "a presumption of fairness exists where: (1) the settlement is reached

1 through arm’s length bargaining; (2) investigation is sufficient to allow counsel and the court
2 to act intelligently; (3) counsel is experienced in similar litigation; and (4) the percentage of
3 objectors is small.” (*Id.* at p. 1802.)

4 At preliminary approval, Plaintiff presented evidence that this Settlement is entitled to a
5 presumption of fairness because: (1) it was reached through arm’s length bargaining with the
6 assistance of an experienced mediator; (2) Plaintiff conducted a thorough investigation through
7 informal discovery and an analysis of Settlement Class Members’ time and payroll records; and
8 (3) Plaintiff’s Counsel is experienced in similar litigation. (*See* Declaration of Arrash T. Fattahi
9 in Support of Plaintiff’s Motion for Preliminary Approval of Class Action and PAGA Settlement
10 [“Fattahi MPA Decl.”], ¶¶ 5-8, 13-26, 37-46; *see generally* Declaration of Arman A. Salehi in
11 Support of Plaintiff’s Motion for Preliminary Approval of Class Action and PAGA Settlement
12 [“Salehi Decl.”]) None of the Settlement Class Members have opted out and none have
13 objected. (*See* Bench Decl., ¶¶ 14, 15.) Therefore, the Court can confidently conclude that a
14 presumption of fairness exists.

15 **B. The Strength of Plaintiff’s Claims, and the Risks, Expense, Complexity,**
16 **and Likely Duration of Further Litigation as a Class Action Through**
17 **Trial**

18 Courts are not required to ensure that a settlement maximizes the value of released claims
19 with mathematical precision. “[T]he test is not the maximum amount plaintiffs might have
20 obtained at trial on the complaint, but rather whether the settlement is reasonable under all of
21 the circumstances.” (*Wershba v. Apple Computer, Inc.* (2001) 91 Cal.App.4th 224, 250,
22 disapproved of on other grounds by *Hernandez v. Restoration Hardware, Inc.* (2018) 4 Cal.5th
23 260, 269-270; *see also* *7-Eleven Owners for Fair Franchising v. Southland Corp.* (2000) 85
24 Cal.App.4th 1135, 1150 [“the merits of the underlying class claims are not a basis for upsetting
25 the settlement of a class action; the operative word is ‘settlement.’”].) The relevant
26 circumstances include the strengths and weaknesses of plaintiffs’ claims and the risks they faced
27 in litigation. (*7-Eleven*, 85 Cal.App.4th at p. 1146.)

28 Here, Plaintiff presented sufficient information at preliminary approval regarding the

1 number of Settlement Class Members and an estimate of the maximum value of each of the
2 claims alleged. (*See* Fattahi MPA Decl., ¶¶ 13-26.) Plaintiff has also described in detail the
3 risks the Class faced in litigation and the strengths and weaknesses of each of the claims. (*See*
4 *id.*) Plaintiff noted potential difficulties in obtaining class certification and succeeding on the
5 merits at trial. (*See id.*) The factual record here is sufficiently developed to allow the Court to
6 independently satisfy itself “that the consideration being received for the release of the class
7 members’ claims is reasonable in light of the strengths and weaknesses of the claims and the
8 risks of the particular litigation.” (*Munoz v. BCI Coca-Cola Bottling Co. of Los Angeles* (2010)
9 186 Cal.App.4th 399, 410.)

10 **C. The Amount Offered in Settlement**

11 The Settlement provides a \$1,400,000.00 Gross Settlement Amount (“GSA”) to be
12 distributed among the 776 Participating Class Members who did not opt out as of the date of
13 this filing. (Bench Decl., ¶¶ 14-21.) The GSA will be used to pay Class Counsel’s attorneys’
14 fees and costs, Plaintiff’s service payment, and ILYM Group, Inc. (“ILYM”) for its
15 administration of the Class Notice and settlement funds. (*Id.* at ¶ 20.) The Settlement also
16 allocates \$50,000.00 from the GSA to civil penalties under PAGA. (*See* Settlement, §§ 1.34,
17 3.2.5; *see also* Bench Decl., ¶ 20.) After all deductions are made, the Net Settlement Amount
18 will be \$821,515.93, which will be distributed to Participating Class Members according to the
19 number of weeks they worked for Defendant The Joint Corp., a Delaware corporation doing
20 business as “The Joint Chiropractic Management Company” (“Defendant”) during the Class
21 Period. (*See* Bench Decl., ¶¶ 6, 18-21.)

22 The Settlement Administrator has calculated a total of 47,295.14² workweeks in the
23 Class Period. (Bench Decl., ¶¶ 6, 18.) As a result, the average recovery for Participating Class
24 Members is \$1,058.65, and the highest payout is \$5,220.92. (*Id.* at ¶ 21.) Weighing the potential
25 value of the class claims against the risk and expense of trial, the Settlement provides sufficient
26 relief in light of the potential risks associated with seeking a class judgment.

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28 ² After Class Notice was mailed out and the response deadline expired, an additional Class Member was added to the Class resulting in an increase of 45.14 workweeks, resulting in a total of 47,295.14 workweeks. (Bench Decl., ¶¶ 17-18) Should the Court deem it necessary to send out a new notice, the Parties will do so.

1 **D. The Extent of Discovery Completed and the Stage of the Proceedings**

2 Class Counsel sufficiently investigated the alleged claims, applicable law, and potential
3 defenses. (*See* Fattahi MPA Decl., ¶¶ 5-8, 13-26.) Specifically, Class Counsel assessed the
4 value of the claims using data and documents provided by Defendant in informal discovery,
5 which included policy documents and timekeeping and payroll records. (*See id.*) Following a
6 complete analysis of this information, the Parties attended mediation on June 20, 2024 with an
7 experienced mediator. (*Id.* at ¶ 7.) The Parties were able to reach an agreement and spent a
8 considerable amount of time negotiating the terms of the Settlement. (*See id.* at ¶ 8.)

9 **E. The Experience and Views of Counsel**

10 Plaintiff is represented by Wilshire Law Firm, PLC. (Fattahi MFA Decl., ¶ 2.) Class
11 Counsel prosecute wage and hour cases, including class and representative actions. (*Id.* at ¶¶ 3-
12 4.) Class Counsel has litigated many wage and hour cases and have successfully resolved cases
13 involving similar issues presented in this matter. (*Id.* at ¶¶ 3-11.) Class Counsel has negotiated
14 a settlement here that they believe is fair, reasonable, and adequate based on their prior
15 experience litigating these types of cases. (*Id.* at ¶ 18.)

16 **F. The Presence of a Government Participant**

17 6. The LWDA has received the required notice of this Settlement. (Fattahi MFA
18 Decl., ¶ 19.) On September 25, 2023, Plaintiff provided notice to the LWDA of her intention
19 to file a PAGA claim. (Fattahi MPA Decl., ¶ 4.) The Settlement provides for the payment of
20 \$50,000.00 in civil penalties, allocated as follows:

21 a. \$40,000.00 of the payment will be split 75%/25%, 75% of which
22 (\$30,000.00) will be paid to the California Labor and Workforce Development Agency
23 (“LWDA”), and 25% of which (\$10,000.00) will be distributed to Aggrieved Employees based
24 on the number of pay periods worked during the PAGA Period; and

25 b. \$10,000.00 of the payment will be split 65%/35%, 65% of which
26 (\$6,500.00) will be paid to the LWDA, and 35% of which (\$3,500.00) will be distributed to
27 Aggrieved Employees based on the number of pay periods worked during the PAGA Period.
28 (*See* Bench Decl., ¶¶ 20, 22; *see also* Settlement, §§ 1.34, 3.2.5., 3.2.5.1.)

1 Plaintiff submitted a copy of the Class Action and PAGA Settlement Agreement to the
2 LWDA. (Fattahi MFA Decl., ¶ 19, **Exhibit 4.**) The LWDA has not responded to or objected to
3 the Settlement. (*Id.*)

4 **G. The Reaction of Class Members to the Proposed Settlement**

5 Class Members' reaction to the Settlement has been favorable. A court may properly
6 infer that a class action settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate when few class members
7 object to or opt out of it. (*Lealo v. Beneficial California, Inc.* (2000) 82 Cal.App.4th 19, 51.)

8 When the Court granted preliminary approval, it also approved the method of providing
9 notice to Class Members. Following a search of the National Change of Address database,
10 ILYM mailed the Class Notice to all Class Members on April 2, 2026. (Bench Decl., ¶¶ 8-10.)
11 The Class Notice informed Class Members of the terms of the Settlement, the amount of their
12 individual settlements and how those amounts were calculated, their right to either participate
13 in the Settlement, opt out of it, object to it, or dispute the amount of their individual settlement
14 payment, the procedures and deadlines to submit an opt out, objection, or dispute, and the date,
15 time, and place of the hearing on Plaintiff's Motion for Final Approval and instructions to be
16 heard at the hearing. (*Id.* at ¶ 10, **Exhibit A.**) Here, in response to the Class Notice, none of
17 the Class Members opted out, and none objected as of the date of the filing of this Motion. (*Id.*
18 at ¶¶ 14, 15.) Class Members' favorable response to the Settlement further supports final
19 approval.

20 **III. THE REQUESTED FEE AWARD IS REASONABLE AND SHOULD BE** 21 **APPROVED**

22 There are two primary methods of determining a reasonable attorney fee in the context
23 of class action litigation. (*Laffitte v. Robert Half Int'l, Inc.* (2016) 1 Cal.5th 480, 489.) The
24 percentage-of-recovery method calculates the fee as a percentage of a common fund recovered
25 on behalf of the class. (*Id.*) The lodestar method calculates the fee by multiplying the number
26 of hours reasonably expended by counsel by a reasonable hourly rate, which amount then may
27 be adjusted based on other factors. (*Id.*) In *Laffitte*, the California Supreme Court held that
28 trial courts have the discretion to choose between the two calculation methods. (*Id.* at p. 504.)

1 Trial courts also have the discretion to blend the two fee calculation methods, using one method
2 to “cross-check” the reasonableness of the other’s result, but a cross-check is not required. (*Id.*
3 at p. 506.)

4 **A. The Requested Fee Award is Fair and Reasonable Based on the**
5 **Percentage-of-Recovery Method**

6 The ultimate purpose of the percentage-of-recovery method is to “spread the attorney fee
7 among all the beneficiaries of the fund.” (*Id.* at p. 503.) The California Supreme Court
8 recognized that the percentage-of-recovery method has many advantages, “including relative
9 ease of calculation, alignment of incentives between counsel and the class, a better
10 approximation of market conditions in a contingency case, and the encouragement it provides
11 counsel to seek an early settlement and avoid unnecessarily prolonging the litigation [citation]
12 . . .” (*Id.*)

13 The requested fee award (thirty-five percent (35%) of the GSA) is consistent with the
14 average fee award in class actions. (*See, e.g., Roos v. Honeywell Int’l, Inc.* (2015) 241
15 Cal.App.4th 1472 [fee award of 37.5% was not an abuse of discretion], disapproved of on other
16 grounds by *Hernandez, supra*, 4 Cal.5th at p. 287; *Wren v. RGIS Inventory Specialists*, No. C–
17 06–05778 JCS, 2011 WL 1230826, at *29 (N.D. Cal. Apr. 1, 2011) [approving fee award of
18 42%]; *Singer v. Becton Dickinson and Co.*, No. 08–CV–821–IEG, 2010 WL 2196104, at *8
19 (S.D. Cal. June 1, 2010) [approving fee award of one-third and noting that the typical fees
20 awarded in wage and hour class action cases ranges from 33.33% to 40%].) Therefore, the
21 percentage-of-recovery method should be utilized to approve the requested fee.

22 **B. A Lodestar Cross-Check Confirms the Reasonableness of the**
23 **Requested Fee**

24 Although *Laffitte* makes clear that a lodestar cross-check is not required, Class Counsel’s
25 lodestar supports the reasonableness of the requested fee. The lodestar is determined by
26 multiplying the number of hours reasonably expended by the reasonable hourly rate. (*PLCM*
27 *Group, Inc. v. Drexler* (2000) 22 Cal.4th 1084, 1095.) The lodestar figure may then be adjusted,
28 based on consideration of factors specific to the case, in order to fix the fee at the fair market

1 value for the legal services provided.” (*Id.*) The factors that can be considered include “the
2 nature of the litigation, its difficulty, the amount involved, the skill required in its handling, the
3 skill employed, the attention given, the success or failure, and other circumstances in the case.”
4 (*Melnyk v. Robledo* (1976) 64 Cal.App.3d 618, 623-24 [citations omitted].) Additionally, Courts
5 utilize “multipliers” to account for the risk of taking on cases where there is no guarantee of
6 recovery, uncertainties as to the amount that will be recovered, uncertainty as to the cost of
7 litigating the case (both in effort and expenses), and uncertainty about how much time will pass
8 before the recovery is obtained. (*Ketchum v. Moses* (2001) 24 Cal.4th 1122, 1132-33; *see also*
9 *Serrano v. Priest* (1977) 20 Cal.3d 25, 48-49 [approving the adjustment of the lodestar figure
10 based on factors specific to the case to ensure fair market value for legal services provided on
11 a contingency basis].) Application of that rule is particularly appropriate where the case is
12 brought to redress important rights of vulnerable persons. (*Ketchum*, 24 Cal.4th at p. 1133.)

13 Generally, “[m]ultipliers can range from 2 to 4 or even higher.” (*Wershba, supra*, 91
14 Cal.App.4th at p. 255; *see also Sutter Health Uninsured Pricing Cases* (2009) 171 Cal.App.4th
15 495, 512 [applying a 2.52 multiplier on a cross-check in an antitrust class action]; *Chavez v.*
16 *Netflix, Inc.* (2008) 162 Cal.App.4th 43, 60 [applying a 2.5 multiplier on a lodestar cross-check];
17 *Vizcaino v. Microsoft Corp.* (9th Cir. 2002) 290 F.3d 1043, 1051 n.6 [“most” common fund
18 cases apply a multiplier of 1.0-4.0]; *Laffitte v. Robert Half Int’l* (2014) 231 Cal.App.4th 860,
19 881-82 [affirming a 2.13 multiplier after finding that “2 to 4” is a reasonable range for
20 multipliers on a cross-check].) Here, the application of a 2.91 multiplier supports Class
21 Counsel’s fee request of \$490,000.00. (Fattahi MFA Decl., ¶¶ 15, 16.)

22 The total hours expended on this action by Class Counsel were reasonable and in line
23 with comparable cases. Class Counsel spent approximately **203.7** hours prosecuting this action,
24 which were divided among the attorneys working on this case according to skill level. (Fattahi
25 MFA Decl., ¶¶ 14-16.) Multiplying the total hours expended by Class Counsel by their
26 reasonable hourly rates yields a lodestar of **\$168,145.00**. (Fattahi MFA Decl., ¶ 15.) The risk
27 factors present in this case favor the application of a 2.91 multiplier. (Fattahi MFA Decl., ¶ 16.)
28 To begin, Class Counsel has singularly assumed the risk and costs of litigation purely on a

contingency basis. *Id.* And, while Plaintiff is confident in the merits of her claims, a legitimate controversy exists as to each cause of action posing an actual risk that Plaintiff may not succeed at class certification and/or trial. *Id.* Any of these obstacles could have prevented recovery completely, meaning Class Counsel would have been left with no compensation for all the time and money invested in litigating this case. *Id.* Despite these risks, Class Counsel took this case on a contingency basis so that Class Members (a particularly vulnerable group of hourly paid workers) could be compensated for their unpaid wages. *Id.* Consequently, Class Counsel was precluded from focusing on, or taking on, other cases which could have resulted in a larger, and less risky, monetary gain. *Id.* This time could have been spent on other potentially lucrative cases. *Id.* Further, Wilshire Law Firm, PLC, dedicated significant resources to this case by dividing the tasks required according to skill level. *Id.* The hours expended by each attorney were not duplicative and reflect the extensive investigation and analysis that was required to achieve this Settlement. *Id.* This amount does not include the time Class Counsel will spend at the final approval hearing and assisting the Settlement Administrator following final approval. *Id.*

C. Class Counsel's Rates Are Similar to Those Approved by California Courts in Comparable Cases.

Class Counsel's hourly rates are reasonable when compared to rates charged within the relevant legal marketplace. Fattahi MFA Decl. ¶ 12, **Exhibit 1**. In light of the foregoing, and considered against the risks of continued litigation, and the importance of advocating for employment rights and a speedy recovery, the relief provided under the Settlement represents a very strong result for the Class. Class Counsel's fee request is fair and reasonable and should be approved. Accordingly, Class Counsel respectfully requests the Court approve their \$490,000.00 fee request.

IV. THE REQUESTED COST AWARD IS REASONABLE AND SHOULD BE APPROVED

The Settlement permits Class Counsel to seek reimbursement of litigation costs in an amount up to \$25,000.00. The actual costs incurred are \$17,359.07 and future costs of \$300.00

1 for a total of \$17,659.07, which does not exceed the maximum amount allocated for litigation
2 costs in the Settlement, as such the remaining \$7,340.93 will revert to and increase the Net
3 Settlement Amount. (Fattahi MFA Decl., ¶ 17, **Exhibit 3**.) These costs were reasonable and
4 necessary to prosecute this case and obtain the results achieved. (*Id.*)

5 **V. THE REQUESTED CLASS REPRESENTATIVE SERVICE PAYMENT IS**
6 **REASONABLE AND SHOULD BE APPROVED**

7 Plaintiff also requests that she be awarded a service payment of \$10,000.00 for her role
8 in obtaining the Settlement. In evaluating a service payment, the Court may consider: “(1) the
9 risk, both financial and otherwise, the class representative faced in bringing the suit; (2) the
10 notoriety and personal difficulties encountered by the class representative; (3) the amount of
11 time and effort spent by the class representative; (4) the duration of the litigation; and (5) the
12 personal benefit received by the class representative as a result of the litigation.” (*Golba v.*
13 *Dick’s Sporting Goods, Inc.* (2015) 238 Cal.App.4th 1251, 1272; *Clark v. American Residential*
14 *Services, LLC* (2009) 175 Cal.App.4th 785, 804.)

15 Here, Plaintiff provided a declaration in support of Motion for Final Approval of Class
16 Action and PAGA Settlement detailing the risk she faced in bringing the suit, the notoriety and
17 personal difficulties she encountered, the amount of time and effort she spent on this litigation,
18 the duration of this litigation, and the personal benefit she will receive as a result of the
19 litigation. (*See generally*, Declaration of Plaintiff Stephanie Senna in Support of Motion for
20 Final Approval of Class Action and PAGA Settlement, filed concurrently herewith.) Plaintiff
21 should be adequately compensated for her role in obtaining this Settlement.

22 Additionally, no Class Members objected to the amount of additional compensation
23 sought by Plaintiff. As such, the award is reasonable in light of the substantial benefits Plaintiff
24 conferred upon the settlement class.

25 **VI. THE SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATION COSTS ARE REASONABLE AND**
26 **SHOULD BE APPROVED**

27 The Parties agreed to hire ILYM as the Settlement Administrator in this case and the
28 Court approved this choice at preliminary approval. The Settlement Administrator was

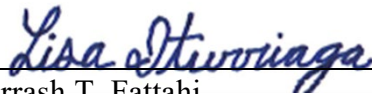
1 responsible for updating Class Members' mailing addresses, mailing the Class Notice to each
2 Class Member, responding to Class Member questions, providing weekly status reports, and
3 providing a declaration as to the results of the mailing. (*See* Bench Decl., ¶ 3.) Following final
4 approval, ILYM's duties will continue in order to calculate and to mail the settlement payments
5 to Class Members, disburse other payments as ordered by the Court, and perform such other
6 duties described in the Settlement. (*Id.*) The requested amount of \$10,825.00 for services
7 rendered and to be rendered is therefore fair and reasonable. (*Id.* at ¶ 24.)

8 **VII. CONCLUSION**

9 Based on the foregoing, Class Counsel respectfully requests that the Court grant final
10 approval of the Class Action and PAGA Settlement, approve Class Counsel attorneys' fees in
11 the amount of \$490,000.00 and reimbursement of litigation costs in the amount of \$17,659.07,
12 the service payment in the amount of \$10,000.00, civil penalties under PAGA in the amount of
13 \$50,000.00, and \$10,825.00 to ILYM for its settlement administration expenses.

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