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10 on behalf of themselves and all “aggrieved employees”
11 pursuant to Labor Code § 2698 *et seq.*

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

16 ARTHUR PONCE, an individual,

17 Plaintiff,

18 v.

19 EXPRESS DRY, INC., a California
20 corporation, and DOES 1 through 10,
21 inclusive,

22 Defendant.

CASE NO: 37-2024-00022921-CU-OE-CTL

Assigned to the Honorable Loren G.
Freestone, Dept. C-64

DECLARATION OF SERVICE

Date: January 30, 2026

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Dept.: C-64

Complaint Filed: May 16, 2024

1 I am employed in Ventura County, State of California. I am over the age of eighteen
2 years and not a party to the within action. My business address is 4550 East Thousand Oaks
3 Boulevard, Suite 100, Westlake Village, CA 91362.

4 On December 19, 2025, I served the foregoing documents described as:

5 1. NOTICE OF UNOPPOSED MOTION AND MOTION FOR AN ORDER
6 APPROVING SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS BROUGHT PURSUANT TO THE PRIVATE
7 ATTORNEYS GENERAL ACT OF 2004, AWARDING ATTORNEYS' FEES, COSTS, AND
8 REIMBURSEMENT OF SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES, AND
9 DISMISSING ACTION WITH PREJUDICE; MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND
10 AUTHORITIES;

11 2. DECLARATION OF EVAN S. GAINES IN SUPPORT OF UNOPPOSED
12 MOTION FOR AN ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS BROUGHT
13 PURSUANT TO THE PRIVATE ATTORNEYS GENERAL ACT OF 2004, AWARDING
14 ATTORNEYS' FEES, COSTS, AND REIMBURSEMENT OF SETTLEMENT
15 ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES, AND DISMISSING ACTION WITH PREJUDICE;

16 3. DECLARATION OF JARROD SALINAS ON BEHALF OF PHOENIX
17 SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATORS IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFF'S UNOPPOSED
18 MOTION FOR AN ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS BROUGHT
19 PURSUANT TO THE PRIVATE ATTORNEYS GENERAL ACT OF 2004, AWARDING
20 ATTORNEYS' FEES, COSTS, AND REIMBURSEMENT OF SETTLEMENT
21 ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES, AND DISMISSING ACTION WITH PREJUDICE;

22 4. [PROPOSED] ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS
23 BROUGHT PURSUANT TO THE PRIVATE ATTORNEYS GENERAL ACT OF 2004,
24 AWARDING ATTORNEYS' FEES, COSTS, AND REIMBURSEMENT OF SETTLEMENT
25 ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES, AND DISMISSING ACTION WITH PREJUDICE; and

26 5. DECLARATION OF SERVICE

27 On the interested parties in this action as follows:
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9 On the above date:

10 (BY ELECTRONIC SERVICE) The above-stated document was submitted for service by
11 electronic email transmission on the counsel of record listed above.

12 On December 19, 2025, the above-stated documents were uploaded to the LWDA web
13 portal:

14 **Labor & Workforce Development Agency**
15 **(Service via Online Submission to www.dir.ca.gov)**

16 (UPLOADED TO LWDA WEB PORTAL) I caused the above-described documents to be
17 delivered to the Labor & Workforce Development Agency via online process at the PAGA Filing
18 website (www.dir.ca.gov) in accordance with the procedure imposed by the LWDA.

19 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

20 Executed on December 19, 2025, at Westlake Village, California.

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