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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

TAMIKA R. THOMAS, an individual, on
behalf of herself, and on behalf of all persons
similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

CENTER FOR ELDERS' INDEPENDENCE, a
California corporation; and DOES 1 through 50,
Inclusive.

Defendants.

Case No. 22CV024221

**DECLARATION OF SYDNEY
CASTILLO-JOHNSON IN SUPPORT OF
MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY
APPROVAL OF CLASS AND PAGA
ACTION SETTLEMENT**

Date: January 30, 2024

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Reservation ID: 628376307502

Judge: Hon. Noël Wise

Dept.: 21

1 I, SYDNEY CASTILLO-JOHNSON, declare as follows:

2 1. This declaration is being submitted in support of Plaintiff's Motion for Preliminary
3 Approval of Class and PAGA Action Settlement. The following facts are within my own personal
4 knowledge, and if called as a witness, I could testify competently to the matters stated herein.

5 2. I was a student volunteer, and later student manager, with the Community Law
6 Project's ("CLP") during my time as a law student at California Western School of Law from
7 January 2021 through December 2021. As student manager included organizing documents, client
8 files, and other administrative tasks. In my role with CLP, I did not have a pecuniary interest in
9 CLP. Additionally, I did not have any decision making authority as either a student volunteer or
10 student manager.

11 3. Over the last two years, I have provided volunteer services to CLP. At no time over
12 the last two years have I had any decision-making authority nor any pecuniary interest in CLP.

13 4. To avoid the appearance of impropriety with respect to the cy pres beneficiary, the
14 Parties have agreed to name Legal Assistance for Seniors, Inc. as the proposed cy pres beneficiary.

15 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing
16 is true and correct. Executed this 22nd day of January 2024, at San Diego, California.

17 By: Sydney Castillo-Johnson

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