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	Plaintiff	CIVIL ACTION
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22		CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT
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25	THE MOORE LAW GROUP A	
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Plaintiff ALICIA BLACK (hereinafter, "Plaintiff"), a California resident, brings this class action complaint by and through the undersigned attorneys, against Defendant THE MOORE LAW GROUP A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION (hereinafter "Defendant"), for its violations of the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act 15 U.S.C. §1692 (hereinafter "FDCPA"), and the Rosenthal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, California Civil Code §§ 1788 et seq. (hereinafter "RFDCPA"), individually and on behalf of a class of all others similarly situated, pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, based upon information and belief of Plaintiff's counsel, except for allegations specifically pertaining to Plaintiff, which are based upon Plaintiff's personal knowledge.

INTRODUCTION/PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

- 1. Congress enacted the FDCPA in 1977 in response to the "abundant evidence of the use of abusive, deceptive, and unfair debt collection practices by many debt collectors." 15 U.S.C. § 1692(a). At that time, Congress was concerned that "abusive debt collection practices contribute to the number of personal bankruptcies, to material instability, to the loss of jobs, and to invasions of individual privacy." *Id.* Congress concluded that "existing laws . . . [we]re inadequate to protect consumers," and that "the effective collection of debts" does not require "misrepresentation or other abusive debt collection practices." 15 U.S.C. §§ 1692(b) & (c).
- 2. Congress explained that the purpose of the Act was not only to eliminate abusive debt collection practices, but also to "insure that those debt collectors who refrain from using abusive debt collection practices are not

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competitively disadvantaged." Id. § 1692(e). After determining that the existing consumer protection laws were inadequate, id. § 1692(b), Congress gave consumers a private cause of action against debt collectors who fail to comply with the Act. Id. § 1692k.

3. One of the purposes of the Rosenthal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, California Civil Code § 1788 is to similarly prohibit debt collectors from engaging in unfair or deceptive acts or practices in the collection of consumer debts.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 4. The Court has jurisdiction over this class action under 28 U.S.C. § 1331, 15 U.S.C. § 1692 et seq. and 28 U.S.C. § 2201. If applicable, the Court also has pendent jurisdiction over the state law claims in this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1367(a).
- 5. Venue is proper in this judicial district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)(2).

NATURE OF THE ACTION

- 6. Plaintiff brings this class action on behalf of a class of California consumers seeking redress for Defendant's actions of using false, deceptive and misleading representation or means in connection with the collection of an alleged debt.
- 7. Defendant's actions violated § 1692 et seq. of Title 15 of the United States Code, commonly referred to as the Fair Debt Collections Practices Act ("FDCPA"), which prohibits debt collectors from engaging in false,

deceptive or misleading practices.

- 8. Defendant's actions violated California Civil Code § 1788 et seq. of the Rosenthal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act ("RFDCPA"), which prohibits debt collectors from engaging in unfair or deceptive acts or practices in the collection of consumer debts.
- 9. Plaintiff is seeking damages, and declaratory and injunctive relief.

PARTIES

- 10.Plaintiff is a natural person and a resident of Santa Clara County in the State of California, and is a "Consumer" as defined by 15 U.S.C. §1692(a)(3).
- 11.Defendant is a law firm with its registered office located at 3710 S. Susan Street, Suite 210, Santa Ana, California 92704.
- 12.Upon information and belief, Defendant is a company that uses the mail, telephone, or facsimile in a business the principal purpose of which is the collection of debts, or that regularly collects or attempts to collect debts alleged to be due another.
- 13.Defendant is a "debt collector," as defined under the FDCPA under 15 U.S.C. § 1692a(6).

ALLEGATIONS OF FACT

- 14.Plaintiff repeats, reiterates and incorporates the allegations contained in paragraphs above herein with the same force and effect as if the same were set forth at length herein.
- 15. Some time prior to January 3, 2018, an obligation was allegedly incurred to CAPITAL ONE BANK (USA), N.A. ("CAPITAL ONE").
- 16. The CAPITAL ONE obligation arose out of a transaction in which money,

- property, insurance or services, which are the subject of the transaction, are primarily for personal, family or household purposes.
- 17. The alleged CAPITAL ONE obligation is a "debt" as defined by 15 U.S.C.§ 1692a(5).
- 18.CAPITAL ONE is a "creditor" as defined by 15 U.S.C.§ 1692a(4).
- 19. Defendant contends that the CAPITAL ONE debt is past due.
- 20.Defendant is a company that uses mail, telephone or facsimile in a business the principal purpose of which is the collection of debts, or that regularly collects or attempts to collect debts incurred or alleged to have been incurred for personal, family or household purposes on behalf of creditors.
- 21.CAPITAL ONE directly or through an intermediary contracted the Defendant to collect the alleged debt.
- 22.On or about January 3, 2018, the Defendant caused to be delivered to the Plaintiff a collection letter in an attempt to collect the alleged CAPITAL ONE debt. *See* Exhibit A.
- 23. The January 3, 2018 letter was sent or caused to be sent by persons employed by Defendant as a "debt collector" as defined by 15 U.S.C. §1692a(6).
- 24. The January 3, 2018 letter is a "communication" as defined by 15 U.S.C. §1692a(2).
- 25. The Plaintiff received and read the Letter sometime after January 3, 2018.
- 26. The Letter stated in part:
 - "NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SUE AND INCUR COURT COSTS"
- 27. The Letter further stated:
 - "It is our office's intention to file a lawsuit to collect the balance owing on the above referenced account."
- 28. Plaintiff, a least sophisticated consumer, read the above notices and believed that if payment was not made, a lawsuit would be imminent.

- 29.Upon information and belief, Defendant did not intend to file a lawsuit against the Plaintiff after sending the Letter.
- 30. As of October 16, 2018, over nine months after the January 03, 2018 was sent, Defendant has yet to file a lawsuit against the Plaintiff regarding the alleged debt.
- 31.As evidenced by the lack of communications by the Defendant to the Plaintiff since January 3, 2018, Defendant at the time the letter was sent did not intend to sue the Plaintiff.
- 32. Pursuant to the FDCPA, a debt collector may not use any false, deceptive, or misleading representation or means in connection with the collection of any debt.
- 33. The purpose and effect of the threat to file a lawsuit to collect the balance due is to mislead, deceive and scare consumers into believing that a lawsuit for the alleged debt is imminent.
- 34. The acts and omissions of Defendant described above injured Plaintiff and the class members in a concrete way. As a result of these acts and omissions, Plaintiff and the class members were subjected to threats and collection attempts from Defendant, which contained material misrepresentations that deceptively and misleadingly lied about filing suit to collect the balance due on an alleged debt. Plaintiff and the class members were left with the impression that a law suit was imminent, when in fact Defendant had no intention of filing suit at that time. In other words, Plaintiff suffered an informational injury as a result of being supplied false and misleading information. This injury also created a material risk of financial harm that Congress intended to prevent by enacting the FDCPA to wit, that Plaintiff, influenced by misleading information, might make payment decisions that she might not have made

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27 28 had she been given only truthful information. And the injury further created a material risk of financial harm that Congress intended to prevent by enacting the FDCPA – to wit, that Plaintiff, faced with imminent litigation, might make payment decisions that she might not have made had she been apprised of all truthful information related to the litigation status of the claim.

35. Defendant could have taken the steps necessary to bring its actions within compliance with the FDCPA but neglected to do so and failed to adequately review its actions to ensure compliance with the law.

CLASS ALLEGATIONS

36. Plaintiff brings claims, pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (hereinafter "FRCP") Rule 23, individually and on behalf of the following consumer class (the "Class") consisting of: a) All consumers who have an address in the State of California b) who were sent a collection letter from the Defendant c) attempting to collect a consumer debt d) which makes a false threat to file suit against the consumer (e) which letter was sent on or after a date one year prior to the filing of this action and on or before a date 21 days after the filing of this action.

- 37. The identities of all class members are readily ascertainable from the records of Defendant and those companies and entities on whose behalf they attempt to collect and/or have purchased debts.
- 38. Excluded from the Plaintiff Class are the Defendant and all officers, members, partners, managers, directors, and employees of the Defendants and their respective immediate families, and legal counsel for all parties to this action and all members of their immediate families.

- 39. There are questions of law and fact common to the Plaintiff Class, which common issues predominate over any issues involving only individual class members. The principal issue is whether the Defendant's written communications to consumers, in the forms attached as *Exhibit A*, violate 15 U.S.C. § 1692e.
- 40. The Plaintiff's claims are typical of the class members, as all are based upon the same facts and legal theories.
- 41. The Plaintiff will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the Plaintiff Classes defined in this complaint. The Plaintiff has retained counsel with experience in handling consumer lawsuits, complex legal issues, and class actions, and neither the Plaintiff nor the Plaintiff's attorneys have any interests, which might cause them not to vigorously pursue this action.
- 42. This action has been brought, and may properly be maintained, as a class action pursuant to the provisions of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure because there is a well-defined community interest in the litigation:
 - (a) <u>Numerosity:</u> The Plaintiff is informed and believes, and on that basis alleges, that the Plaintiff Class defined above are so numerous that joinder of all members would be impractical.
 - (b) <u>Common Questions Predominate:</u> Common questions of law and fact exist as to all members of the Plaintiff Class and those questions predominate over any questions or issues involving only individual class members. The principal issue is whether the Defendants' written communications to consumers, in the forms attached as *Exhibit A*, violate 15 U.S.C. § 1692e.
 - (c) <u>Typicality:</u> The Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the class members. The Plaintiff and all members of the Plaintiff Class have claims arising out of the Defendant's common uniform course of

conduct complained of herein.

- (d) Adequacy: The Plaintiff will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the class members insofar as Plaintiff has no interests that are averse to the absent class members. The Plaintiff is committed to vigorously litigating this matter. Plaintiff has also retained counsel experienced in handling consumer lawsuits, complex legal issues, and class actions. Neither the Plaintiff nor the Plaintiff's counsel have any interests which might cause them not to vigorously pursue the instant class action lawsuit.
- (e) <u>Superiority:</u> A class action is superior to the other available means for the fair and efficient adjudication of this controversy because individual joinder of all members would be impracticable. Class action treatment will permit a large number of similarly situated persons to prosecute their common claims in a single forum efficiently and without unnecessary duplication of effort and expense that individual actions would engender.
- 43. Certification of a class under Rule 23(b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure is also appropriate in that the questions of law and fact common to members of the Plaintiff Class predominate over any questions affecting an individual member, and a class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of the controversy.
- 44. Depending on the outcome of further investigation and discovery, Plaintiff may, at the time of class certification motion, seek to certify a class(es) only as to particular issues pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(c)(4).

COUNT I

VIOLATIONS OF THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT

15 U.S.C. §1692e et seq.

- 45. Plaintiff repeats, reiterates and incorporates the allegations contained in paragraphs above herein with the same force and effect as if the same were set forth at length herein.
- 46.Defendant's debt collection efforts attempted and/or directed towards the Plaintiff violated various provisions of the FDCPA, including but not limited to 15 U.S.C. § 1692e.
- 47. Pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1692e, a debt collector may not use any false, misleading and/or deceptive means to collect or attempt to collect any debt or to obtain information concerning a consumer.
- 48. The Defendant violated said section in its letter to the Plaintiff by:
 - a. Threatening to take action that is not intended to be taken in violation of 1692e(5);
 - b. Making a false representation or using deceptive means to collect a debt in violation of 1692e(10).
- 49. By reason thereof, Defendant is liable to Plaintiff for judgment that Defendant's conduct violated Section 1692e *et seq*. of the FDCPA, actual damages, statutory damages, costs and attorneys' fees.

COUNT II

(Violations Of The Rosenthal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act)

- 50.Plaintiff repeats, reiterates and incorporates the allegations contained in paragraphs above herein with the same force and effect as if the same were set forth at length herein.
- 51.Cal. Civ. Code §1788.17 mandates that every person or entity collecting or attempting to collect a consumer debt shall comply with the provisions of Sections 1692b to 1692j, inclusive, of, and shall be subject to the remedies

- in Section 1692k of, Title 15 of the United States Code statutory regulations contained within the FDCPA, 15 U.S.C. § 1692 et seq.
- 52. As set forth above, Defendant violated 15 U.S.C. § 1692e(10) by making a false representation and using deceptive and misleading means to collect a debt.
- 53.As set forth above, Defendant violated 15 U.S.C. § 1692e(5) by threatening to take action that was not intended to be taken.
- 54.As such, Defendant violated the foregoing provisions of the FDCPA and RFDCPA.
- 55.As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's violations of the RFDCPA and FDCPA, Plaintiff was harmed, and may recover from Defendant one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) in statutory damages in addition to actual damages and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs pursuant to Cal. Civ. Code § 1788.30.

DEMAND FOR TRIAL BY JURY

56. Pursuant to Rule 38 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiff hereby request a trial by jury on all issues so triable.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment against Defendants as follows:

- (a) Declaring that this action is properly maintainable as a Class Action and certifying Plaintiff as Class representative and the undersigned as Class Counsel;
 - (b) Awarding Plaintiff and the Class statutory damages;

1	(c) Awarding Plaintiff and the Class actual damages;							
2	(d) Awarding Plaintiff costs of this Action, including reasonable							
3	attorneys' fees and expenses;							
4	(e) Awarding pre-judgment interest and post-judgment interest;							
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7	(f) Awarding Plaintiff and the Class such other and further relief as this Court may deem just and proper.							
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I. (a) PLAINTIFFS

ALICIA BLACK, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated

DIVISIONAL ASSIGNMENT (Civil Local Rule 3-2)

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 - c) Attorneys. Enter the firm name, address, telephone number, and attorney of record. If there are several attorneys, list them on an attachment, noting in this section "(see attachment)."
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 - (1) United States plaintiff. Jurisdiction based on 28 USC §§ 1345 and 1348. Suits by agencies and officers of the United States are included here.
 - (2) United States defendant. When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box.
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- IV. Nature of Suit. Place an "X" in the appropriate box. If the nature of suit cannot be determined, be sure the cause of action, in Section VI below, is sufficient to enable the deputy clerk or the statistical clerk(s) in the Administrative Office to determine the nature of suit. If the cause fits more than one nature of suit, select the most definitive.
- V. Origin. Place an "X" in one of the six boxes.
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- VI. Cause of Action. Report the civil statute directly related to the cause of action and give a brief description of the cause. **Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity.** Example: U.S. Civil Statute: 47 USC § 553. <u>Brief Description</u>: Unauthorized reception of cable service.
- VII. Requested in Complaint. Class Action. Place an "X" in this box if you are filing a class action under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23.
 - Demand. In this space enter the actual dollar amount being demanded or indicate other demand, such as a preliminary injunction.
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Defendant.

Civil Case No.:

PLAINTIFF ALICIA BLACK'S LOCAL RULE 3-16 CERTIFICATION OF INTERESTED ENTITIES OR PERSONS

Pursuant to Civil L.R. 3-16, the undersigned certifies that of this date, other than the named parties, there is no such interest to report.

Dated: October 19, 2018

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January 3, 2018

Alicia Black

Obligation owing to Capital One Bank (USA), N.A. Re: Account number XXXXXXXXXXXX7174 Balance Owing \$5,710.03

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SUE AND INCUR COURT COSTS

It is our office's intention to file a lawsuit to collect the balance owing on the above referenced account. In addition to seeking a judgment for principal, we will ask the court to award allowable court costs (the actual cost of the filing fee and the actual cost of service of process).

We encourage you to contact us to discuss payment arrangements or available settlement options.

TOLL FREE NUMBER IS (800) 506-2652. We look forward to hearing from you.

The Moore Law Group, APC

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This communication is from a debt collector in an attempt to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

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