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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION

SHATAQUIA BOURNE (GAMBLE), individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

-against-

HARVARD COLLECTION SERVICES, INC.

Defendants.

Civil Case Number:

CIVIL ACTION

CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT AND DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Plaintiff SHATAQUIA BOURNE (GAMBLE) (hereinafter, "Plaintiff"), a Georgia resident, brings this class action complaint by and through the undersigned attorneys against Defendant HARVARD COLLECTION SERVICES INC. (hereinafter "Defendant"), 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 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. The rights and obligations established by section 15 U.S.C. § 1692g were considered by the Senate at the time of passage of the FDCPA to be a "significant feature" of the Act. See S. Rep. No. 382, 95th Cong., 1st Sess. 4, at 4, reprinted in 1977 U.S.C.C.A.N. 1695, 1696.

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 Georgia 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. Plaintiff is seeking damages, and declaratory and injunctive relief.

PARTIES

9. Plaintiff is a natural person and a resident of the State of Georgia, and is a "Consumer" as defined by 15 U.S.C. §1692(a)(3).

- Defendant Harvard Collection Services, Inc. is a collection agency with its registered agent located at Illinois Corporation Service, 801 Adlai Stevenson Drive, Springfield, IL 62703.
- 11. 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.
- 12. Defendant is a "debt collector," as defined under the FDCPA under 15 U.S.C. § 1692a(6).

ALLEGATIONS OF FACT

- 13. 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.
- 14. Some time prior to October 10, 2016, an obligation was allegedly incurred to Maroon Bells Emergency Physicians ("Maroon").
- 15. The Maroon debt was sold to or assigned to Pendrick Capital Partners II.
- 16. The PENDRICK CAPITAL PARTNERS II 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 PENDRICK CAPITAL PARTNERS II obligation is a "debt" as defined by 15 U.S.C.\(\} 1692a(5).
- 18. PENDRICK CAPITAL PARTNERS II is a "creditor" as defined by 15 U.S.C.§ 1692a(4).
- 19. Defendant contends that the PENDRICK CAPITAL PARTNERS II 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

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21. On or about October 10, 2016, the Defendant caused to be delivered to the Plaintiff a

collection letter in an attempt to collect the alleged PENDRICK CAPITAL PARTNERS

II debt. See Exhibit A.

22. The October 10, 2016 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).

23. The October 10, 2016 letter is a "communication" as defined by 15 U.S.C. §1692a(2).

24. The Plaintiff received and read the Letter.

25. The Letter stated in part:

"Amount Owed

: \$1414.00"

Settlement Amount: \$919.10"

26. The Letter further stated:

"...financial institutions to annually report all debt cancellations of \$600 or more.

If the principal balance discharge is \$600...it is required to report the discharge to

the IRS. You may want to consider consulting your tax advisor . ."

27. The above statement in the Collection Letter is false, deceptive and misleading.

28. IRS Regulation 1.6050P requires that an 'applicable entity' report a cancellation or

discharge of indebtedness under certain circumstances.

29. IRS Regulation 1.6050P-1(d)1-7 includes a list of seven "exceptions from reporting

requirements." One such exceptions provides that "[t]he discharge of an amount of

indebtedness that is interest is not required to be reported under this section."

30. The Defendant failed to apprise the Plaintiff about the possible exceptions that could

apply to the creditor's mandatory reporting requirement, such as the exceptions for

interest and other non-principal debts.

31. Thus, the statement that the Defendant would is required to report to the IRS for any

discharge of \$600 or more is false and misleading.

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- 32. By making this statement, the Plaintiff believed that the only way she could get out of the IRS reporting requirements and avoid any IRS potential issues would have to pay the entire debt, but for \$599.99.
- 33. In reality, Plaintiff only needed to pay the entire principal, but for \$599.99 to avoid any IRS reporting.
- 34. Furthermore, there was no reason to include this tax statement in this Letter seeking to collect \$919.10 on a \$1,414.00 debt, which would result in a discharge amount at \$494.90.
- 35. This unnecessary statement is materially misleading because *inter alia*:
 - a. It needlessly injects the IRS into the collection process;
 - It injects confusion as discharge of alleged indebtedness is not always taxable;
 - c. The least sophisticated consumer may reasonably believe that in order not to be reported to the IRS, he or she must pay enough on the alleged debt so that a balance of less than \$600.00 remains regardless of whether the event is reportable or any exception applies; and
 - d. The statement can negatively influence someone contemplating bankruptcy. The underlying debt here would almost always be dischargeable. However, any tax obligation that is created by the cancellation of the underlying debt would be non-dischargeable for at least three years. See, 11 USC 523(a)(1)(A) and 11 USC 507(a)(8)(A)(i).
- 36. By inputting this language, the Defendant caused the Plaintiff a real risk of harm.
- 37. Upon information and belief, the Defendant's use of this IRS statement was a 'collection ploy' meant to increase the Defendant's collections. *See, Good v. Nationwide Credit,*

- 38. Defendant's invocation of the IRS reasonably suggests that the debtor could get in trouble with the IRS for refusal to pay the debt, or for obtaining any debt forgiveness of \$600 or more. *See e.g.*, *Velez v. Enhanced Recovery Company, LLC*, 2016 WL 1730721 (EDPA 2016).
- 39. Defendants 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

40. Plaintiff brings claims, pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (hereinafter "FRCP") Rule 23, individually and on behalf of the following consumer classes (the "Classes") consisting of:

CLASS A: a) All consumers who have an address in the state of Georgia b) who were sent a collection letter from the Defendant c) attempting to collect a consumer debt owed to Pendrick Capital Partners II, d) that states that there is a requirement for "financial institutions to annually report all debt cancellations of \$600 or more" 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. CLASS B: a) All consumers who have an address in the state of Georgia b) who were sent a collection letter from the Defendant c) attempting to collect a consumer debt owed to Pendrick Capital Partners II, d) that states If the principal balance discharges is \$600 or more it is required to report the discharge to the IRS (e) where such reporting would never have occurred (f) 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.

- 41. The identities of all class members are readily ascertainable from the records of Defendants and those companies and entities on whose behalf they attempt to collect and/or have purchased debts.
- 42. Excluded from the Plaintiff Classes are the Defendants 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.
- 43. There are questions of law and fact common to the Plaintiff Classes, which common issues predominate over any 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.
- 44. The Plaintiffs' claims are typical of the class members, as all are based upon the same facts and legal theories.
- 45. The Plaintiffs will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the Plaintiff Classes defined in this complaint. The Plaintiffs have retained counsel with experience in handling consumer lawsuits, complex legal issues, and class actions, and neither the Plaintiffs nor their attorneys have any interests, which might cause them not to vigorously pursue this action.
- 46. 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 Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and on that basis allege, that the Plaintiff Classes 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 Classes and those questions predominate over any

- Case 1:17-cv-03951-TWT-JSA Document 1 Filed 10/06/17 Page 8 of 12 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 Plaintiffs' claims are typical of the claims of the class members.

 The Plaintiffs and all members of the Plaintiff Classes have claims arising out of the Defendants' common uniform course of conduct complained of herein.
 - (d) Adequacy: The Plaintiffs will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the class members insofar as Plaintiffs have no interests that are averse to the absent class members. The Plaintiffs are committed to vigorously litigating this matter. Plaintiffs have also retained counsel experienced in handling consumer lawsuits, complex legal issues, and class actions. Neither the Plaintiffs nor their 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.
- 47. 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 Classes 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.
- 48. Depending on the outcome of further investigation and discovery, Plaintiffs may, at the time of class certification motion, seek to certify a class(es) only as to particular issues

COUNT I

VIOLATIONS OF THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT 15 U.S.C. §1692e et seq.

- 49. 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.
- 50. Defendants' 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.
- 51. 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.
- 52. The Defendants violated said section in its letter to the Plaintiff by:
 - Using a false, deceptive, and misleading representations or means in connection with the collection of a debt;
 - b. Making a threat to take any action that cannot legally be taken or that is not intended to be taken in violation of 1692e(5);
 - c. Making a false representation or using deceptive means to collect a debt in violation of 1692e(10).
- 53. 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.

DEMAND FOR TRIAL BY JURY·

43. Pursuant to Rule 38 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiff hereby

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

Dated: October 5, 2017

By: /s/Misty Ann Oaks _____

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The JS44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replace nor supplement the filing and service of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket record. (SEE INSTRUCTIONS ATTACHED)

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THE OAKS FIRM 3315 Charlston Court Decatur, GA 30034 Tel: 404.725.5697 Email: attyoaks@yahoo.com						
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ACCOUNT IDENTIFICATION

Current Creditor Original Creditor

: PENDRICK CAPITAL PARTNERS II : MAROON BELLS EMERG PHYS L

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Account Number Reference Number Patient's Name

Gamble, Shataquia

Amount Owed : \$ 1414.00

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