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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

Marcia Campbell, individually, and on
behalf of those similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

Arizona Beverages USA LLC and
Hornell Brewing Co., Inc.,

Defendants.

CASE NO.

CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT

Demand for Jury Trial

Plaintiff Marcia Campbell brings this action on behalf of herself and all others similarly situated against Defendants Arizona Beverages USA LLC and Hornell Brewing Co., Inc. (collectively “Arizona” or “Defendants”). Plaintiff makes the following allegations pursuant to the investigation of counsel and based upon information and belief, except as to the allegations specifically pertaining to herself, which are based on personal knowledge.

NATURE OF THE ACTION

1. This case arises from Defendants’ deceptive and misleading practices with respect to its marketing and sale of their fruit snack products (the “Products”).¹

2. Defendants manufacture, sell, and distribute the Products using a marketing and advertising campaign focused on claims that appeal to health-conscious consumers – specifically the importance of real fruit and its presence in the Products.

3. Defendants engage in a deceptive marketing campaign to convince consumers that the Products contain significant amounts of the actual fruits shown in the marketing² and on the labeling³ of the Products, they are nutritious and healthful to consume, and are more healthful than similar products.

¹ At the time of this filing, the following Arizona products are included in this definition: Arnold Palmer Half & Half Fruit Snacks and Green Tea Fruit Snacks. This definition is not exhaustive, and shall include all of Defendants’ products that are similarly deceptively marketed.

² Variants of the words “marketing,” and “market” refer to all forms of advertising in all forms of media, including but not limited to print advertisements, television, and radio commercials, Products’ labels, viral marketing, incentives, and websites.

³ The term “labeling” encompasses other descriptive terms, including various forms of the words: labels, labeling, packages, and packaging.

4. Notably, the Products' name – "Fruit Snacks" – combined with packaging that displays images of fresh fruit and prominently states, "MADE WITH REAL FRUIT" and "FRUIT IS OUR FIRST INGREDIENT" establishes this belief with reasonable consumers:



1 5. The deception lies in the fact that the Products are devoid of real fruit.
 2 Rather than containing real fruit, the Products are packed with sugar. Defendants'
 3 Products contain sugar levels comparable to candy and none of the vibrantly depicted
 4 fruits.

5 6. Thus, although Defendants market the Products as containing real fruit
 6 while being healthful and nutritious, they are devoid of the health benefits
 7 reasonable consumers associate with consuming real fruit.
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9 7. Reasonable consumers purchased the Products believing, among other
 10 things, that they were accurately represented. Specifically, reasonable consumers
 11 believed that the Products were healthful and contained a significant amount of real
 12 fruit. Reasonable consumers would not have purchased the Products if they had
 13 known about the misrepresentations and omissions, or would have purchased them
 14 on different terms.
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16 8. Defendants violated the trust of Plaintiff and Class Members because
 17 the Products are not the fruit-packed snack that Defendants' marketing and labeling
 18 represents.
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20 9. Relying on Defendants' representations, consumers that seek healthier
 21 alternatives than mere candy only later realize that their purchase of Defendants'
 22 Products was a fruitless endeavor.
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24 10. Plaintiff brings this action individually and on behalf of those similarly
 25 situated and seek to represent a National Class and a California Class. Plaintiff
 26 seeks damages, interest thereon, reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, restitution,
 27 other equitable relief, and disgorgement of all benefits that Defendants have enjoyed
 28 from their deceptive business practices, as detailed herein. In addition, Plaintiff seeks

1 injunctive relief to stop Defendants' deceptive conduct in the labeling and marketing
2 of the Products.

3 JURISDICTION AND VENUE

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5 11. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendants. Defendants
6 purposefully avail themselves of the California consumer market and distribute the
7 Products to many locations within this District and hundreds of retail locations
8 throughout the State of California, where the Products are purchased by thousands of
9 consumers every day.

10 12. This Court has original subject-matter jurisdiction over this proposed
11 class action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332(d), which, under the provisions of the Class
12 Action Fairness Act ("CAFA"), explicitly provides for the original jurisdiction of the
13 federal courts in any class action in which at least 100 members are in the proposed
14 plaintiff class, any member of the plaintiff class is a citizen of a State different from
15 any defendant, and the matter in controversy exceeds the sum of \$5,000,000.00,
16 exclusive of interest and costs. Plaintiff alleges that the total claims of individual
17 members of the proposed Class (as defined herein) are well in excess of \$5,000,000.00
18 in the aggregate, exclusive of interest and costs.

19 13. Venue is proper in this District under 28 U.S.C. § 1391(a). Plaintiff's
20 purchases of Defendants' Products, substantial acts in furtherance of the alleged
21 improper conduct, including the dissemination of false and misleading information
22 regarding the nature, quality, and/or ingredients of the Products, occurred within this
23 District and the Defendants conduct business in this District.

24 DIVISIONAL ASSIGNMENT

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26 14. Pursuant to Civil Local Rule 3-2(c-d), a substantial part of the events
27 giving rise to the claims arose in Humboldt County, and this action should be
28 assigned to the Eureka Division.

PARTIES

15. Plaintiff Marcia Campbell is a citizen of California.

- a. Prior to her purchase, Ms. Campbell saw and relied on Defendants' marketing and labeling representing that the Products contained real fruit, in significant amounts, and included the named and depicted fruits.
- b. Ms. Campbell wished to purchase the fruit snacks for personal consumption. When Ms. Campbell saw Defendants' misrepresentations prior to and at the time of purchase, she relied on Defendants' prominent representations and claims about the Products. Specifically, that it contained significant amounts of the actual fruit that Defendants emphasized in the marketing and on the labeling of the Product.
- c. Ms. Campbell relied on the Defendants' representations, including but not limited to, that the Products are "MADE WITH REAL FRUIT" and "FRUIT IS OUR FIRST INGREDIENT" as well as the fruit imagery that surrounds the entire packaging.
- d. Ms. Campbell understood these representations to mean that real fruit was the primary ingredient in the Products. Had Ms. Campbell known the truth – that the Products did not contain any real fruit – Ms. Campbell would not have purchased the Products at a premium price. If Defendants started including real fruit as the primary ingredient, or the Products were no longer deceptively labeled, Ms. Campbell would purchase the Products again in the future. Ms. Campbell brings the

1 claims below seeking damages, actual and statutory, as well as
2 injunctive relief.

3 e. Ms. Campbell has purchased the Products on multiple occasions. Ms.
4 Campbell's most recent purchase of the Products occurred in November
5 2021, when she purchased the Arizona Green Tea Fruit Snacks and
6 Arnold Palmer Half & Half Fruit Snacks at a price of approximately
7 \$2.50 per bag from Eureka Natural Foods and Winco located in Eureka,
8 CA.
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10 16. Defendant Arizona Beverages USA LLC is a New York company with its
11 principal place of business in Woodbury, NY.
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13 17. Defendant Hornell Brewing, Co., Inc. is a New York corporation with its
14 principal place of business in Woodbury, NY.

- 15 a. Defendant Hornell Brewing owns Defendant Arizona Beverages USA.
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17 b. The marketing and labeling for the Products that Plaintiff and Class
18 Members relied upon in making their decisions to purchase the Products
19 was conceived, designed, prepared and/or approved by the Defendants
20 and was disseminated by Defendants and their agents through labeling,
21 marketing, and advertising containing the misrepresentations from
22 their New York headquarters.
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24 c. In committing the wrongful acts alleged herein, Defendants, in
25 connection with their subsidiaries, affiliates, and/or other related
26 entities and their employees, planned, participated in and furthered a
27 common scheme to induce members of the public to purchase the
28 Products by means of false, misleading, deceptive and fraudulent

representations, and Defendants participated in the making of such representations in that they disseminated those misrepresentations or caused them to be disseminated.

18. Plaintiff reserves the right to amend this Complaint to add different or additional defendants, including without limitation any officer, director, employee, supplier, or distributor of Defendants who have knowingly and willfully aided, abetted, or conspired in the false and deceptive conduct alleged herein.

SUBSTANTIVE ALLEGATIONS

A. Defendants deceive consumers by misrepresenting that the Products contain real fruit in significant amounts.

19. Consumers increasingly and consciously seek out healthy foods and snacks— placing value on healthy fruit snacks that contain less added sugar. Consumers seek these types of snacks for various reasons, including perceived benefits of avoiding disease, and attaining health and wellness for themselves and their children and families.⁴

20. In addition, scientific data shows that it is difficult to meet nutrient needs while staying within calorie requirements if you consume more than 10 percent of your daily calories from added sugar. Consumers seek healthier options by seeking to purchase snack products with less sugar. And scientific evidence indicates that excess sugar contributes to numerous chronic health problems such as heart disease and type 2 diabetes.⁵

⁴ See, e.g., *Fruit Snacks Sales Rise by 162% Amid COVID-19 Pandemic* (April 29, 2020) <https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/fruit-snacks-sales-rise-by-162-amid-covid-19-pandemic-301049556.html>.

⁵ American Heart Ass'n, *Understanding Childhood Obesity*, available at http://www.heart.org/idc/groups/heart-public/@wcm/@fc/documents/downloadable/ucm_428180.pdf.

21. As a result, consumers are willing to pay, and have paid, a premium for products that contain significant amounts of real fruit over products that do not contain significant amounts of real fruit.⁶

22. Companies such as the Defendants capitalize on the consumer's demand for real fruit and generate increased unit sales, revenue, and profit by making real fruit representations.

23. Further, consumers rely on label representations and information in making purchasing decisions.

24. Knowing this, Defendants prominently feature real fruit statements and images throughout its packaging.

25. Notably, the Product's principal display panel displays images of fresh fruit while the packaging prominently states, "MADE WITH REAL FRUIT."



⁶ Mondelez International, *Fruitful Business: Fruit and Veggie Snack Trend Grows Stronger*, <https://www.letschatsnacks.com/fruitfulbusiness> ("Nielsen reveals that the snackable fruit and vegetable category is ripe with revenue, generating sales of \$16.3 billion in the year ended May 27, 2017").

26. The back of the Products additionally state, “MADE with REAL FRUIT” and “FRUIT IS OUR FIRST INGREDIENT.”



27. Additionally, the Products’ names are “Fruit Snacks.”

28. This leads consumers to believe that the Products contain a significant amount of real fruit.

29. Further, the representation “FRUIT IS OUR FIRST INGREDIENT” on the packaging leads reasonable consumers to believe that there are significant amounts of real fruit in the Products.

30. The FDA mandates that ingredients must be presented in a descending order of predominance.

31. By prominently claiming that fruit is the first ingredient – when it is not- Defendants convey to consumers that real fruit is the primary ingredient.

32. Reasonable consumers – accustomed to companies complying with FDA regulations and declaring ingredients in order of predominance – accept this representation to mean that there are significant amounts of real fruit in the Product.

33. The Products lack real fruit:

INGREDIENTS

PEAR JUICE FROM FRUIT JUICE CONCENTRATE, GLUCOSE SYRUP, SUGAR, MODIFIED FOOD, STARCH (CORN), GELATIN, DEXTROSE; CITRIC ACID, GREEN TEA EXTRACT; BLACK TEA EXTRACT, NATURAL FLAVOR, FRUIT & VEGETABLE JUICE FOR COLOR (BLACK CURRANT, BLACK CARROT, CARROT, LEMON); COLOR (PAPRIKA OLEORESIN); CARNAUBA WAX.



INGREDIENTS



PEAR JUICE FROM FRUIT JUICE CONCENTRATE, GLUCOSE SYRUP, SUGAR, MODIFIED FOOD STARCH (CORN), GELATIN, DEXTROSE; CITRIC ACID, GREEN TEA EXTRACT; NATURAL FLAVOR, FRUIT & VEGETABLE JUICE FOR COLOR (ELDERBERRY, GRAPE, SPIRULINA, TURMERIC); COLOR (PAPRIKA OLEORESIN); CARNAUBA WAX.

34. To offset its lack of real fruit, Defendants overcompensate by plastering real fruit imagery throughout their Products' packaging.

35. For example, the Products include realistic drawings of fruits which wrap around the entire lower level of the packaging.

36. Based on the representations that appear in the marketing and on the packaging of the Products, Plaintiff reasonably believed that the Products were made with significant amounts of real fruit.

37. Rather, Defendants' Products are merely sugar filled snacks masqueraded as health-focused treats containing real fruit and nutrition.

38. Taken as a whole, the words and images used on Defendants' packaging leads consumers to believe that the Products contain real fruit in significant amounts.

39. Not only are consumers misled but also competing products sharing the same shelves as Defendants' Products are placed at a competitive disadvantage.

40. For example, these competing products are sold in the same stores as Defendants' Products yet - unlike the Products - these items do not make real fruit representations:

- a. Albanese® Gummi Bear candy makes no fruit references and contains similar (actually lower) sugar levels than the Products.



- b. HARIBO® Goldbears® candy includes images of fruit items yet no written fruit messaging and contains similar (actually lower) sugar levels than the Products.



Nutrition Facts	
About 8 servings per container	
Serving size 13 Pieces (30g)	
Amount per serving	
Calories	100
% Daily Value*	
Total Fat 0g	0%
Sodium 5mg	0%
Total Carbohydrate 23g	8%
Total Sugars 14g	
Includes 14g Added Sugars	28%
Protein 2g	
Not a significant source of saturated fat, trans fat, cholesterol, dietary fiber, vitamin D, calcium, iron and potassium.	
*The % Daily Value tells you how much a nutrient in a serving of food contributes to a daily diet. 2,000 calories a day is used for general nutrition advice.	
INGREDIENTS: GLUCOSE SYRUP (FROM WHEAT OR CORN), SUGAR, GELATIN, DEXTROSE (FROM WHEAT OR CORN), CONTAINS LESS THAN 2% OF CITRIC ACID, ARTIFICIAL AND NATURAL FLAVORS, PALM OIL, PALM KERNEL OIL, CARNAUBA WAX, WHITE BEESWAX, YELLOW BEESWAX, YELLOW 5, RED 40, BLUE 1.	
MANUFACTURED FOR HARIBO OF AMERICA, INC. ROSEMONT, IL 60018 MADE IN TURKEY	
A serving is a little handful. In this case it's approx. 13 pieces	

- c. Great Value® Gummy Bears candy includes images of fruit items yet no written fruit messaging and contains lower sugar levels than the Products:



Nutrition Facts	
about 8 servings per container	
Serving size 12 pieces (31g)	
Amount per serving	
Calories	100
% Daily Value*	
Total Fat 0g	0%
Saturated Fat 0g	0%
Trans Fat 0g	
Cholesterol 0mg	0%
Sodium 25mg	1%
Total Carbohydrate 23g	8%
Dietary Fiber 0g	0%
Total Sugars 14g	
Includes 14g Added Sugars	28%
Protein 2g	
Vitamin D 0mcg 0%	Calcium 0mg 0%
Iron 0mg 0%	Potassium 0mg 0%
*The % Daily Value tells you how much a nutrient in a serving of food contributes to a daily diet. 2,000 calories a day is used for general nutrition advice.	

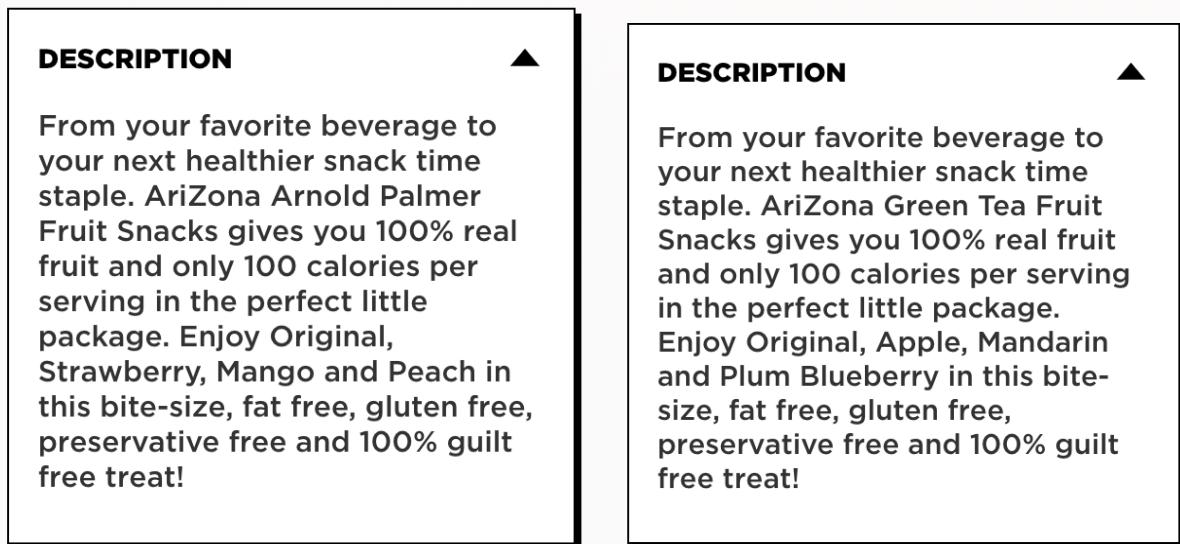
41. In other words, while all of the above snacks are similarly high in sugar and lack any real fruit, none of the competing products – unlike Defendants’ Products’ - deceptively misrepresent that they contain real fruit.

42. Defendants’ deceptions harm not only consumers but also companies that accurately represent their products by diverting attention and dollars away from competitors that are good faith market participants.

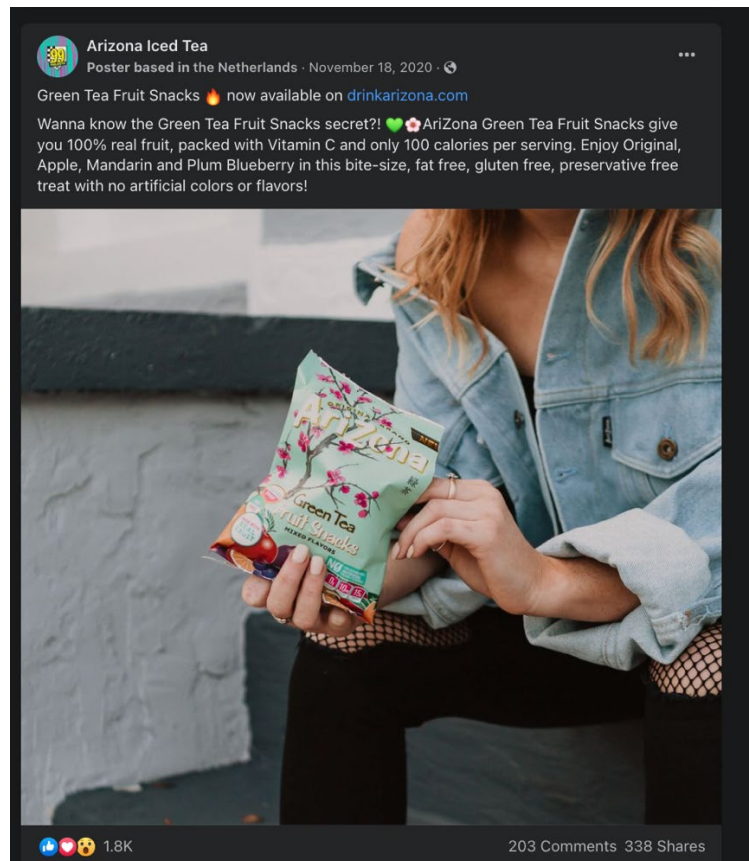
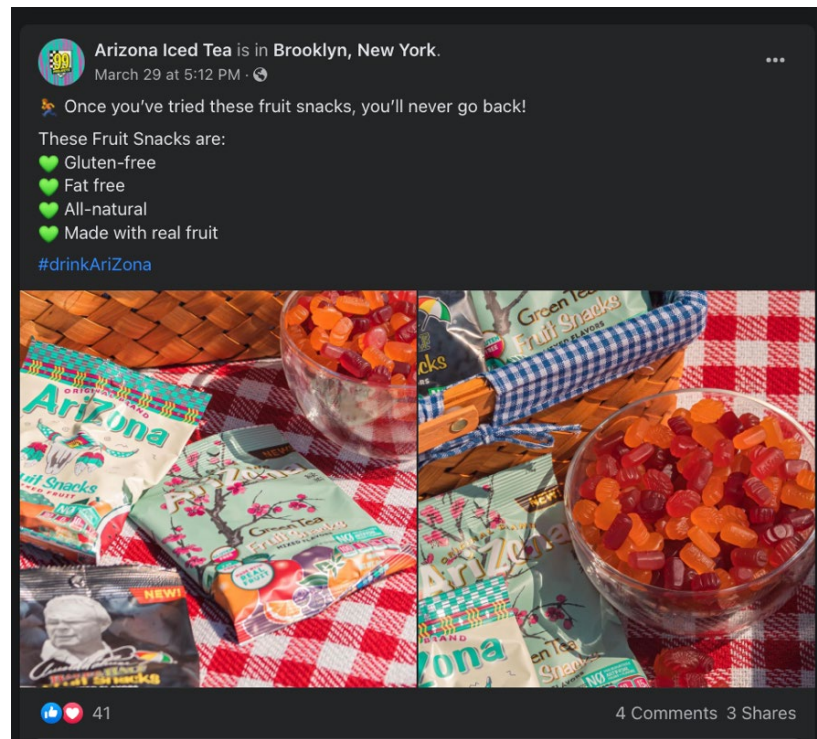
B. Defendants perpetuate this deception in their advertising and marketing.

43. Defendants’ deceptions are not limited to the packaging. They further the deception through targeted marketing and advertising.

44. For example, the website listing for the Products emphasizes the fruit content and the health benefits of the Products:



45. Additionally, its marketing campaigns perpetuate the “made with real fruit” myth when the Products do not contain any real fruit:



46. Instead, Defendants fail to include any real fruit.

1 47. The Products contain no dietary fiber, a key health-promoting
2 component of real fruit nor any of the other health benefits of real fruit.

3 48. Defendants target their deceptions to consumers demanding health
4 focused products.

5 49. Instead of receiving a healthy snack made from real fruit, each serving
6 of the Products contains more sugar per serving than other snacks that do not target
7 health focused consumers.

8 50. The Products contain 15 grams of sugar in each serving which is the
9 same amount of sugar as some popular candies:
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11 **There are 3 teaspoons of sugar in three Twix minis.**



22 **Twix minis.** Crystal Cox/Business Insider

Four Hershey's milk chocolate miniatures also contain 3 teaspoons of sugar.



Hershey's milk chocolate miniatures. Crystal Cox/Business Insider

Three Tootsie Roll "Juniors" have 3 teaspoons of sugar.



Tootsie Roll "Juniors." Crystal Cox/Business Insider

51. The above listed numbers discuss the *serving size* amounts of sugar.
52. The Products contain 5 servings per bag, so in total, the Products contain 75 grams of sugar in each bag.

53. This is more sugar than is present in a 20 ounce bottle of Coca Cola:

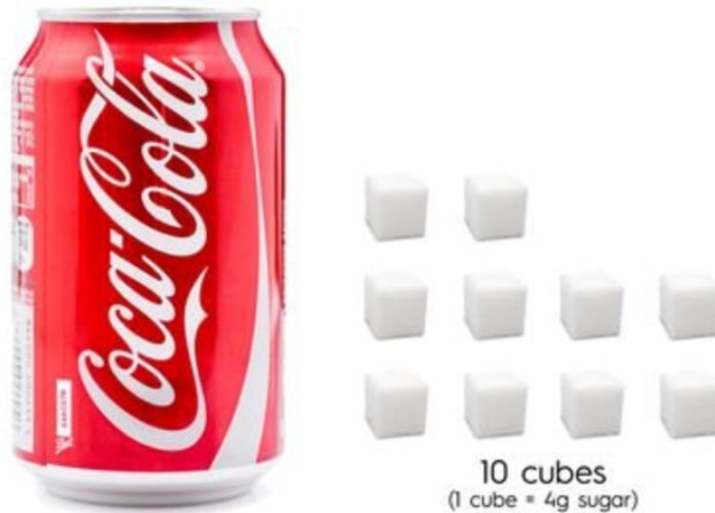


Serving size	1 Bottle
Amount per serving	
Calories	240
% Daily Value*	
Total Fat 0g	0%
Sodium 75mg	3%
Total Carbohydrate 65g	24%
Total Sugars 65g	
Includes 65g Added Sugars	130%

54. Also, the 75 grams of sugar present in the Products is more than three times the recommended daily intake for women and children and two times the recommended daily intake for men by the American Heart Association.⁷

55. Moreover, the Products contain almost the same amount of sugar that are present in two 12 oz. cans of Coca Cola:

⁷ 24 grams for women and children; 36 grams for men. American Heart Association, *Added Sugars*, available at <https://www.heart.org/en/healthy-living/healthy-eating/eat-smart/sugar/added-sugars>.



56. Thus, the Products contain no real fruit – and none of the health benefits associated with the consumption of real fruit – while containing dangerously high levels of sugar that are higher than many items that consumers consider unhealthy.

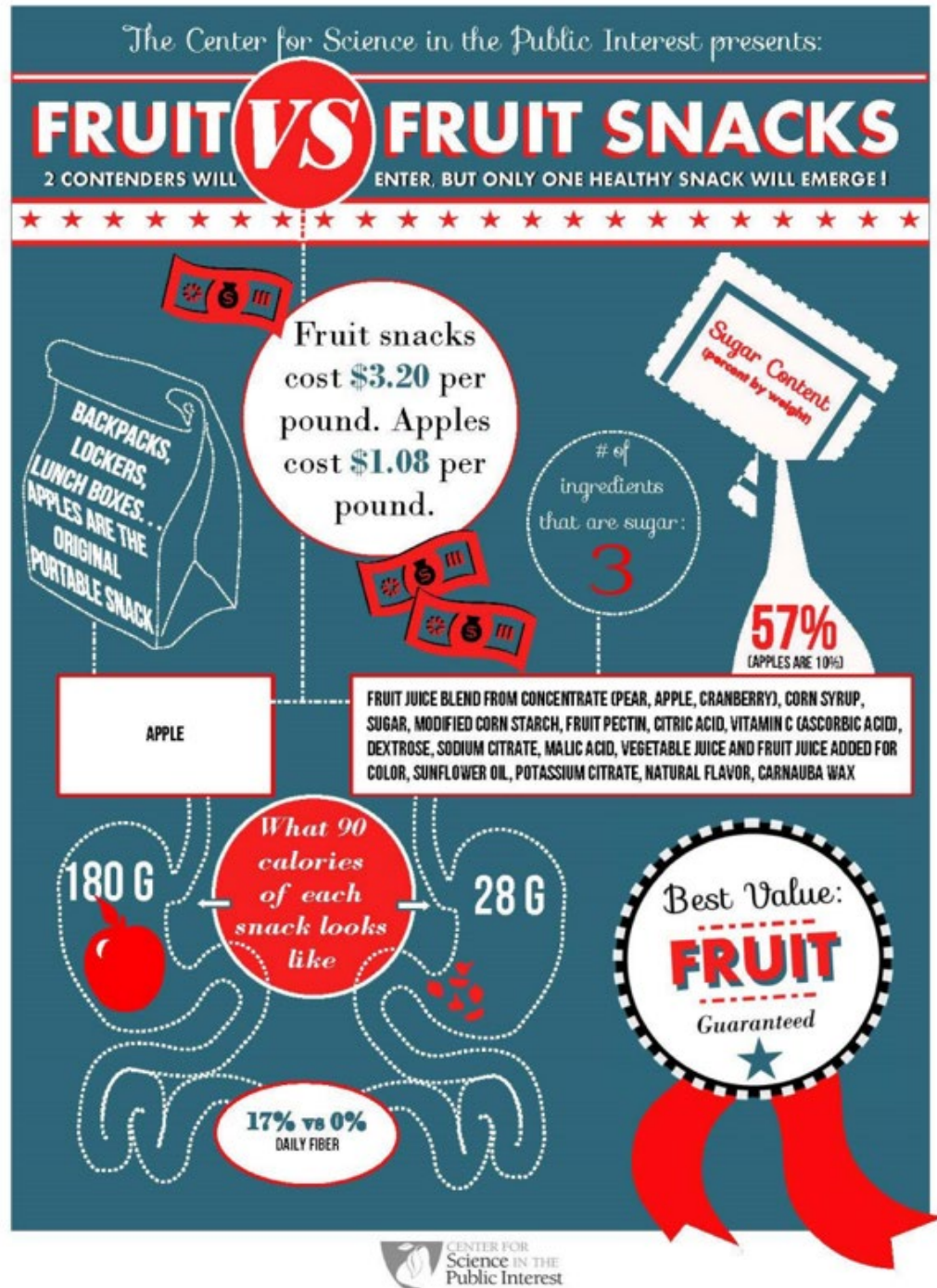
57. Through targeted marketing and advertising, Defendants perpetuate the misrepresentation that their Products contain significant amounts of real fruit.

58. The practice of deceptively marketing fruit snacks as containing substantial amounts of fruit when they do not is well-recognized, and the Center for Science in the Public Interest has been outspoken in its criticism:⁸

Food companies aggressively market phony fruit snacks to toddlers, children, and their parents, pushing them as healthy options and substitutes for real fruit. Unfortunately for parents and kids, **phony fruit snacks don't always contain the fruits advertised on the front of the box** and never in the quantities suggested. Instead, companies use **relatively cheap, nutritionally void, and highly processed pear, apple, and white grape juices**, making phony fruit snacks much closer to gummy bears than actual fruit.

⁸ CSPI website, *Phony Fruit Snacks*, available at <http://cspinet.org/nutritionpolicy/fruitfraud.html> (emphasis added).

59. The Center for Science in the Public Interest's infographic provides additional analysis of this problem:



60. In this case, the Products' first ingredient is not real fruit. Rather, it is "pear juice from fruit juice concentrate."

61. In other words, the first ingredient is merely added sugar that is nutritionally void.

62. In fact, the second (Glucose Syrup) and third (Sugar) ingredients are also added sugars.

63. Rather than having healthful real fruit as its first ingredients, Defendants first *three* ingredients are added sugars.

64. This is the exact scenario shown in the CSPI infographic.

65. Simply, “[t]hese aren’t fruit snacks... these sugar-laden treats are ‘Phony Fruit Snacks.’”⁹

66. Added sugars represent 100% of the sugars contained in the Products.

67. Diets high in added sugars – from such foods as sugar-sweetened snacks like the Products – squeeze healthier foods out of the diet, thereby displacing foods that provide nutrients that reduce the risk of osteoporosis, cancer, heart disease, stroke, and other health problems.¹⁰

68. Diets rich in added sugars contribute to obesity, the prevalence of which has risen dramatically in the last three decades in both youths and adults.¹¹ Obesity, in turn, increases the risk of diabetes, heart disease, high blood pressure, and other

⁹ CSPI website, *Phony Fruit Snacks*, available at <http://cspinet.org/nutritionpolicy/fruitfraud.html>.

¹⁰ See S. Bowman, *Diets of Individuals Based on Energy Intakes from Added Sugars*, 12 FAMILY ECON. NUTRITION REV. 31-8 (1999); G. Mrdjenovi & D.A. Levitsky, *Nutritional and Energetic Consequences of Sweetened Drink Consumption in 6- to 13-year-old Children*, 142 J. PEDIATRICS 604-10 (2003).

¹¹ See D.S. Ludwig, K.E. Peterson & S.L. Gortmaker, *Relationship between Consumption of Sugar-sweetened Drinks and Childhood Obesity*, 357 LANCET 505-8 (2001); C.S. Berkey, H.R. Rockett, A.E. Field, et al., *Sugar-added Beverages and Adolescent Weight Change*, 12 OBESITY RES. 778-88 (2004); C.M. Apovian, *Sugar-sweetened Soft Drinks, Obesity, and Type 2 Diabetes*, 292 J. AM. MED. ASS’N 927-34 (2004); Ctr. for Disease Control and Prevention, Nat’l Ctr. for Health Statistics, *Prevalence of Overweight among Children and Adolescents: United States, 1999-2002*, available at www.cdc.gov/nchs/products/pubs/pubd/hestats/overwght99.htm.

1 health problems.¹² In people who are insulin resistant, high intakes of added sugars
 2 increase levels of blood triglycerides, which are associated with a higher risk of heart
 3 disease and diabetes.¹³ In addition, frequent consumption of foods rich in added
 4 sugars increases the risk of osteoporosis.¹⁴

5 69. Defendants' claims about the fruit content of the Products are deceptive.
 6 Although the marketing and labeling of the Products depict certain fruits, those fruits
 7 are not the predominant ingredient nor are they even present in the Products.
 8 Instead, the Products contain significant amounts of added sugars.
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10 70. As a result of their unlawful, unfair, and fraudulent advertising and
 11 marketing practices, Defendants have made millions at the expense of the public
 12 health and trust, and continue to make millions through these unfair, unlawful and
 13 fraudulent advertising and marketing practices.
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15 **C. The Products are misbranded.**

16 71. Under FDCA section 403, a food is "misbranded" if "its labeling is false
 17 or misleading in any particular." *See* 21 U.S.C. §§ 343(a).
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19 72. The amount of fruit in the Products has a material bearing on price and
 20 consumer acceptance. Moreover, Defendants' marketing and labeling of the Product—
 21 including imagery and references of certain fruits—creates the erroneous impression
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24 ¹² U.S. Surgeon General, U.S. Dep't of Health and Human Serv., *The Surgeon*
 25 *General's Call to Action to Prevent and Decrease Overweight and Obesity* (2001).
 available at www.surgeongeneral.gov/topics/obesity/calltoaction/CalltoAction.pdf.

26 ¹³ M.J. Stampfer, R.M Krauss, J. Ma, et al., *A Prospective Study of Triglyceride Level,*
 27 *Lowdensity Lipoprotein Particle Diameter, and Risk of Myocardial Infarction*, 276 J.
 AM. MED. ASS'N 882-8 (1996).

28 ¹⁴ S.J. Whiting, A. Healey & S. Psiuk, *Relationship between Carbonated and Other*
Low Nutrient Dense Beverages and Bone Mineral Content of Adolescents, 32
 NUTRITION RES. 1107-15 (2001).

1 that the fruit depicted in the Products' marketing and labeling is present in an
2 amount greater than is actually the case.

3 73. Defendants' Products contain no real fruit.

4 74. Because the Defendants fail to reveal the basic nature and
5 characterizing properties of the Products (specifically, the true fruit content),
6 Defendants' Products are not only sold with misleading labeling but also misbranded
7 under Sections 403(a) of the Food Drug & Cosmetic Act ("FDCA"), 21 U.S.C. §§
8 343(a), and cannot be legally manufactured, advertised, distributed, or sold in the
9 U.S. as it is currently labeled. *See* 21 U.S.C. § 331.
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11 75. Moreover, California law forbids the misbranding of food in language
12 largely identical to that found in the FDCA.
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14 76. The Products are misbranded under California's Sherman Law, Cal.
15 Health & Safety Code §§ 109875-111915. The Sherman Law expressly incorporates
16 the food labeling requirements set forth in the FDCA, *see* Cal. Health & Safety Code §
17 110100(a), and provides that any food is misbranded if its nutritional labeling does
18 not conform to FDCA requirements. *See id.* § 110665; *see also id.* § 110670.
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20 77. The Sherman Law further provides that a product is misbranded if its
21 labeling is "false or misleading." *Id.* § 110660. It is a violation of the Sherman Law to
22 advertise any misbranded food, *id.* § 110398; to manufacture, sell, deliver, hold, or
23 offer for sale any food that is misbranded, *id.* § 110760; to misbrand any food, *id.* §
24 110765; or to receive in commerce any food that is misbranded or deliver or proffer it
25 for delivery, *id.* § 110770.
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1 78. By misrepresenting the basic nature and characterizing properties of the
2 Products, Defendants violate these federal and state regulations and mislead Plaintiff
3 and consumers alike.

4 **D. Reasonable consumers relied on Defendants' misrepresentations to**
5 **their detriment.**

6 79. Defendants' deceptive representations and omissions are material in
7 that a reasonable person would attach importance to such information and would be
8 induced to act upon such information in making purchase decisions.

9 80. Plaintiff and the Class Members reasonably relied to their detriment on
10 Defendants' misleading representations and omissions.

11 81. Defendants' false, misleading, and deceptive misrepresentations and
12 omissions are likely to continue to deceive and mislead reasonable consumers and the
13 general public, as they have already deceived and misled the Plaintiff and the Class
14 Members.
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16 **E. Defendants' wrongful conduct caused Plaintiffs and the Class**
17 **Members' injuries.**

18 82. Defendants know that consumers are willing to pay more for fruit
19 snacks with substantial amounts of real fruit due to the perception that the snacks
20 are higher quality and a healthier alternative to the competition.
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22 83. As a result of these unfair and deceptive practices, Defendants have
23 likely collected millions of dollars from the sale of the Products that they would not
24 have otherwise earned. Plaintiff and Class Members paid money for fruit snacks that
25 are not what they purported to be or what they bargained for. They paid a premium
26 for the Products when they could have instead bought other, less expensive products
27 that do not purport to be made with real fruit as the primary ingredient.
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1 84. In making the false and misleading representations described herein,
2 Defendants knew and intended that consumers would pay for, and/or pay a premium
3 for, a product labeled and advertised as containing real fruit.

4 85. As an immediate, direct, and proximate result of Defendants' false and
5 misleading representations, Defendants injured the Plaintiff and the Class Members
6 in that they:
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- 8 a. Paid a sum of money for Products that were not what Defendants
9 represented;
- 10 b. Paid a premium price for Products that were not what Defendants
11 represented;
- 12 c. Were deprived of the benefit of the bargain because the Products they
13 purchased were different from what Defendants warranted;
- 14 d. Were deprived of the benefit of the bargain because the Products they
15 purchased had less value than what Defendants represented;
- 16 e. Could not be used for the purpose for which they were purchased; and
17 f. Were of a different quality than what Defendants promised.

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20 86. Had Defendants not made the false, misleading, and deceptive
21 representations, Plaintiff and the Class Members would not have been willing to pay
22 the same amount for the Products they purchased, and, consequently, Plaintiff and
23 the Class Members would not have been willing to purchase the Products.
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25 87. Plaintiff and the Class Members paid for Products that were purported
26 to contain significant portions of real fruit but received Products that were devoid of
27 real fruit. The products Plaintiff and the Class Members received were worth less
28 than the products for which they paid.

1 88. Based on Defendants' misleading and deceptive representations,
2 Defendants were able to, and did, charge a premium price for the Products over the
3 cost of competitive products not bearing the representations.

4 89. Plaintiff and the Class Members all paid money for the Products.
5 However, Plaintiff and the Class Members did not obtain the full value of the
6 advertised Products due to Defendants' misrepresentations. Plaintiff and the Class
7 Members purchased, purchased more of, and/or paid more for, the Products than they
8 would have had they known the truth about the Products. Consequently, Plaintiff
9 and the Class Members have suffered injury in fact and lost money as a result of
10 Defendants' wrongful conduct.
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12 **CLASS DEFINITIONS AND ALLEGATIONS**

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14 90. Plaintiff, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23, brings this
15 action on behalf of the following classes:

- 16 a. California Class: All persons who purchased Defendants' Products
17 within the State of Oregon and within the applicable statute of
18 limitations;
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20 b. Nationwide Class: All persons who purchased Defendants' Products
21 within the United States and within the applicable statute of limitations
22 period (collectively, the "Class," "Classes," and "Class Members").
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24 91. Excluded from the Classes are Defendants, its parents, subsidiaries,
25 affiliates, officers, and directors, those who purchased the Products for resale, all
26 persons who make a timely election to be excluded from the Classes, the judge to
27 whom the case is assigned and any immediate family members thereof, and those
28 who assert claims for personal injury.

92. The members of the Classes are so numerous that joinder of all Class Members is impracticable. Defendants have sold, at a minimum, hundreds of thousands of units of the Products to Class Members.

93. There is a well-defined community of interest in the questions of law and fact involved in this case. Questions of law and fact common to the members of the putative classes that predominate over questions that may affect individual Class Members include, but are not limited to the following:

- a. whether Defendants misrepresented material facts concerning the Products on the packaging of every product;
- b. whether Defendants misrepresented material facts concerning the Products in print and digital marketing of every product;
- c. whether Defendants' conduct was unfair and/or deceptive;
- d. whether Defendants have been unjustly enriched as a result of the unlawful, fraudulent, and unfair conduct alleged in this Complaint such that it would be inequitable for Defendants to retain the benefits conferred upon them by Plaintiff and the Class;
- e. whether Plaintiff and the Class are entitled to equitable and/or injunctive relief;
- f. whether Defendants breached implied and express warranties to Plaintiff and the Class; and
- g. whether Plaintiff and the Class have sustained damages with respect to the claims asserted, and if so, the proper measure of their damages.

94. Plaintiff's claims are typical of those of other Class Members because Plaintiff, like all members of the classes, purchased Defendants' Products bearing the

1 fruit representations and Plaintiff sustained damages from Defendants' wrongful
2 conduct.

3 95. Plaintiff will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the Classes
4 and has retained counsel that is experienced in litigating complex class actions.

5 96. Plaintiff has no interests which conflict with those of the Classes.

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7 97. A class action is superior to any other available means for the fair and
8 efficient adjudication of this controversy, and no unusual difficulties are likely to be
9 encountered in the management of this class action. The damages or other financial
10 detriment suffered by Plaintiff and the other Class Members are relatively small
11 compared to the burden and expense that would be required to individually litigate
12 their claims against Defendants, making it impracticable for Class Members to
13 individually seek redress for Defendants' wrongful conduct. Even if Class Members
14 could afford individual litigation, the court system could not. Individualized litigation
15 creates a potential for inconsistent or contradictory judgments, and increases the
16 delay and expense to all parties and the court system. By contrast, the class action
17 device presents far fewer management difficulties, and provides the benefits of single
18 adjudication, economies of scale, and comprehensive supervision by a single court.
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21 98. The prerequisites to maintaining a class action for equitable relief are
22 met as Defendants have acted or refused to act on grounds generally applicable to the
23 classes, thereby making appropriate equitable relief with respect to the classes as a
24 whole.
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26 99. The prosecution of separate actions by members of the Classes would
27 create a risk of establishing inconsistent rulings and/or incompatible standards of
28 conduct for Defendants. For example, one court might enjoin Defendants from

performing the challenged acts, whereas another might not. Additionally, individual actions could be dispositive of the interests of the classes even where certain Class Members are not parties to such actions.

CAUSES OF ACTION

COUNT I

Violation of California’s Unfair Competition Law (“UCL”) Business and Professions Code § 17200 et seq. (On Behalf of the California Class)

100. Plaintiff repeats and realleges each and every allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

101. Plaintiff brings this cause of action pursuant to the UCL on their own behalf and on behalf of all other persons similarly situated.

102. The UCL prohibits “any unlawful, unfair... or fraudulent business act or practice.” Cal. Bus & Prof. Code § 17200.

A. Unfair Prong

103. Under the UCL a challenged activity is “unfair” when “any injury it causes outweighs any benefits provided to consumers and the injury is one that the consumers themselves could not reasonably avoid.” *Camacho v. Auto Club of Southern California*, 142 Cal. App. 4th 1394, 1403 (2006).

104. Defendants’ advertising and labeling of the Products as being made with real fruit when the Products contain no real fruit, is false, misleading, and deceptive.

105. Additionally, Defendants’ advertising and labeling of the Products as being made with significant amounts of real fruit when the Products contain no real fruit, is false, misleading, and deceptive.

106. Defendants' false advertising of the Products causes injuries to consumers, who do not receive the promised benefits from the Products in proportion to their reasonable expectations.

107. Through false, misleading, and deceptive labeling of the Products, Defendants seek to take advantage of consumers' desire for food products containing significant amounts of real fruit, while reaping the financial benefits of manufacturing lower quality Products.

108. When Defendants label and market the Products as being made with real fruit it provides false promises to consumers and stifles competition in the marketplace.

109. Consumers cannot avoid any of the injuries caused by Defendants' false and misleading advertising of the Products.

110. Some courts conduct a balancing test to decide if a challenged activity amounts to unfair conduct under the UCL. The courts "weigh the utility of the defendant's conduct against the gravity of the harm alleged to the victim." *Davis v. HSBC Bank Nevada, N.A.*, 691 F. 3d 1152, 1169 (9th Cir. 2012).

111. Defendants' material misrepresentations and omissions result in financial harm to consumers. Thus, the utility of Defendants' conduct is vastly outweighed by the gravity of its harm.

112. Some courts require the "unfairness must be tethered to some legislative declared policy or proof of some actual or threatened impact on competition." *Lozano v. AT&T Wireless Servs. Inc.*, 504 F. 3d 718, 735 (9th Cir. 2007).

113. As described herein, Defendants' conduct impacts the public health of California citizens and the competitive landscape for Defendants' competitors that act as good faith market participants.

114. Defendants' advertising and labeling of the Products, as alleged in the preceding paragraphs, is false, deceptive, misleading, and unreasonable, and constitutes unfair conduct.

115. Defendants knew or should have known of their unfair conduct.

116. As alleged in the preceding paragraphs, the material misrepresentations by Defendants detailed above constitute an unfair business practice within the meaning of the UCL.

117. There were reasonably available alternatives to further Defendants' legitimate business interests other than the conduct described herein. Defendants could have marketed the Products without making any false and deceptive statements about the Products' ingredients.

118. All of the conduct alleged herein occurs and continues to occur in Defendants' business. Defendants' wrongful conduct is part of a pattern or generalized course of conduct repeated on hundreds of occasions daily.

119. Pursuant to Business & Professions Code Section 17203, Plaintiff and the California Class seek an order of this Court enjoining Defendants from continuing to engage, use, or employ its practice of false and deceptive advertising and labeling of the Products. Plaintiff and California Class Members additionally request an order awarding Plaintiff and California Class Members restitution of the money wrongfully acquired by Defendants by means of responsibility attached to Defendants' failure to

1 disclose the existence and significance of said misrepresentations in an amount to be
2 determined at trial.

3 120. Plaintiff and the California Class have suffered injury in fact and have
4 lost money as a result of Defendants' unfair conduct. Plaintiff paid an unwarranted
5 premium for the Products.
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7 **B. Fraudulent Prong**

8 121. The UCL considers conduct fraudulent and prohibits said conduct if it is
9 likely to deceive members of the public. *Bank of the West v. Superior Court*, 2 Cal. 4th
10 1254, 1267 (1992).

11 122. Defendants' labeling and advertising of the Products as being made with
12 real fruit is likely to deceive members of the public into believing that the Products
13 contain real fruit.
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15 123. Defendants' advertising of the Products, as alleged in the preceding
16 paragraphs, is false, deceptive, misleading, and unreasonable and constitutes
17 fraudulent conduct.
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19 124. Defendants knew or should have known of their fraudulent conduct.

20 125. As alleged in the preceding paragraphs, the material misrepresentations
21 and omissions by Defendants detailed above constitute a fraudulent business practice
22 in violation of the UCL.
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24 126. There were reasonably available alternatives to further Defendants'
25 legitimate business interests, other than the conduct described herein. Defendants
26 could have refrained from marketing and labeling the Products as being made with
27 real fruit.
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127. All of the conduct alleged herein occurs and continues to occur in Defendants' business. Defendants' wrongful conduct is part of a pattern or generalized course of conduct repeated on hundreds of occasions daily.

128. Pursuant to Business & Professions Code Section 17203, Plaintiff and the California Class seek an order of this Court enjoining Defendants from continuing to engage, use, or employ its practice of false and deceptive advertising of the Products. Likewise, Plaintiff and the California Class seek an order requiring Defendants to disclose such misrepresentations, and additionally request an order awarding Plaintiff restitution of the money wrongfully acquired by Defendants by means of responsibility attached to Defendants' failure to disclose the existence and significance of said misrepresentations in an amount to be determined at trial.

129. Plaintiff and the California Class have suffered injury in fact and have lost money as a result of Defendants' fraudulent conduct. Plaintiff and the California Class paid an unwarranted premium for the Products. Plaintiff and the California Class would not have purchased the Products if they had known that the Products they did not contain real fruit in significant amounts and were actually devoid of real fruit.

C. Unlawful Prong

130. The UCL identifies violations of other laws as "unlawful practices that the unfair competition law makes independently actionable." *Velazquez v. GMAC Mortg. Corp.*, 605 F. Supp. 2d 1049, 1068 (C.D. Cal. 2008).

131. Defendants' labeling and advertising of the Products, as alleged in the preceding paragraphs, violates California Civil Code Section 1750, et seq. (Consumer Legal Remedies Act), California Business and Professions Code Section 17500, et seq.

(False Advertising Law), Cal. Heath & Saf. Code § 110765 et seq. (the “Sherman Law”), and the common law as described herein.

132. Defendants’ packaging, labeling, and advertising of the Products, as alleged in the preceding paragraphs, is false, deceptive, misleading, and unreasonable, and constitutes unlawful conduct.

133. Defendants knew or should have known of their unlawful conduct.

134. As alleged in the preceding paragraphs, the misrepresentations by Defendants detailed above constitute an unlawful business practice within the meaning of the UCL.

135. There were reasonably available alternatives to further Defendants’ legitimate business interests other than the conduct described herein. Defendants could have refrained from misrepresenting the true characteristics of the Products.

136. All of the conduct alleged herein occurred and continues to occur in Defendants’ business. Defendants’ wrongful conduct is part of a pattern or generalized course of conduct repeated on thousands of occasions daily.

137. Pursuant to California Business and Professions Code Section 17203, Plaintiff and the California Class seek an order of this Court enjoining Defendants from continuing to engage, use, or employ its practice of false and deceptive advertising of the Products. Likewise, Plaintiff and the California Class seek an order requiring Defendants to disclose such misrepresentations, and additionally request an order awarding Plaintiff restitution of the money wrongfully acquired by Defendants by means of responsibility attached to Defendants’ failure to disclose the existence and significance of said misrepresentations in an amount to be determined at trial.

138. Plaintiff and the California Class have suffered injury in fact and have lost money as a result of Defendants' unlawful conduct. Plaintiff paid an unwarranted premium for the Products. Plaintiff would not have purchased the Products if she had known that Defendants purposely deceived consumers into believing that the Products contained real fruit and contained significant amounts thereof.

139. As a result of the business acts and practices described above, Plaintiff and members of the California Class, pursuant to § 17203, are entitled to an order enjoining such future wrongful conduct on the part of Defendants and such other orders and judgments that may be necessary to disgorge Defendants' ill-gotten gains and to restore to any person in interest any money paid for the Products as a result of the wrongful conduct of Defendants.

140. Pursuant to Civil Code § 3287(a), Plaintiff and the California Class are further entitled to prejudgment interest as a direct and proximate result of Defendants' unfair and fraudulent business conduct. The amount on which interest is to be calculated is a sum certain and capable of calculation, and Plaintiff and the California Class are entitled to interest in an amount according to proof.

COUNT II
Violation of California's False Advertising Law ("FAL")
Business and Professions Code § 17500 et seq.
(On Behalf of the California Class)

141. Plaintiff repeats and realleges each and every allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

142. Plaintiff brings this cause of action pursuant to the FAL on their own behalf and on behalf of all other persons similarly situated.

1 143. The FAL makes it “unlawful for any person to make or disseminate or
2 cause to be made or disseminated before the public in this state, in any advertising
3 device or in any other manner or means whatever, including over the Internet, any
4 statement, concerning personal property or services, professional or otherwise, or
5 performance or disposition thereof, which is untrue or misleading and which is
6 known, or which by the exercise of reasonable care should be known, to be untrue or
7 misleading.”
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9 144. Defendants knowingly disseminated misleading claims regarding the
10 Products in order to mislead the public about the presence of fruit in the Products.
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12 145. Defendants controlled the labeling, packaging, production and
13 advertising of the Products. Defendants knew or should have known, through the
14 exercise of reasonable care, that its representations and omissions about the
15 characteristics and ingredients of the Products were untrue, deceptive, and
16 misleading.
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18 146. Defendants understand that the public values real fruit representations,
19 and this is shown by the numerous statements and fruit images that are prominently
20 featured throughout the Products’ packaging.

21 147. Defendants’ actions in violation of the FAL were false and misleading
22 such that the general public is and was likely to be deceived.
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24 148. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants’ conduct alleged herein
25 in violation of the FAL, Plaintiff and members of the California Class, pursuant to §
26 17535, are entitled to an order of this Court enjoining such future wrongful conduct
27 on the part of Defendants, and requiring Defendants to disclose the true nature of its
28 misrepresentations.

1 149. Plaintiff and the California Class have suffered injury in fact and have
 2 lost money as a result of Defendants' false representations. Plaintiff purchased the
 3 Products in reliance upon the claims and omissions by Defendants that the Products
 4 contain significant amounts of real fruit, as represented by Defendants' labeling and
 5 advertising. Plaintiff would not have purchased the Products if she had known that
 6 the claims and advertising as described herein were false and misleading.
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8 150. Plaintiff and members of the California Class also request an order
 9 requiring Defendants to disgorge its ill-gotten gains and/or award full restitution of
 10 all monies wrongfully acquired by Defendants by means of such acts of false
 11 advertising, plus interests and attorneys' fees.
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 14 **COUNT III**
 15 **Violation of California's Consumer Legal Remedies Act ("CLRA")**
 16 **Business and Professions Code § 1750 et seq.**
 17 **(Injunctive Relief Only)**
 18 **(On Behalf of the California Class)**

19 151. Plaintiff repeats and realleges each and every allegation contained in
 20 the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

21 152. Plaintiff brings this claim individually and on behalf of the members of
 22 the proposed California Class against the Defendants.

23 153. At all times relevant hereto, Plaintiff and members of the California
 24 Class were "consumer[s]," as defined in Civil Code section 1761(d).

25 154. At all times relevant hereto, Defendants each constituted a "person," as
 26 defined in Civil Code section 1761(c).
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155. At all times relevant hereto, the Products manufactured, marketed, advertised, and sold by Defendants constituted “goods,” as defined in Civil Code section 1761(a).

156. The purchases of the Products by Plaintiff and members of the California Class were and are “transactions” within the meaning of Civil Code section 1761(e).

157. Defendants disseminated, or caused to be disseminated, through its packaging, labeling, marketing and advertising misrepresentations that the Products contained real fruit and in significant amounts thereof.

158. Defendants’ representations violate the CLRA in at least the following respects:

- a. In violation of Civil Code § 1770(a)(5), Defendants represented that the Products have characteristics, ingredients, uses, benefits, and quantities which they do not have;
- b. In violation of Civil Code § 1770(a)(7), Defendants represented that the Products are of a particular standard, quality, or grade, which they are not; and
- c. In violation of Civil Code § 1770(a)(9), Defendants advertised the Products with an intent not to sell the products as advertised.

159. Pursuant to the provisions of Cal. Civ. Code § 1782(a), Plaintiff provided notice to Defendants of their alleged violations of the CLRA, demanding that Defendants correct such violations, and providing them with the opportunity to correct its business practices. Notice was sent via certified mail, return receipt requested on April 18, 2022. As of the date of filing this complaint, Defendants have not responded. Accordingly, if after 30 days no satisfactory response to resolve this

litigation on a class-wide basis has been received, Plaintiff will seek leave to amend this request to seek restitution and actual damages as provided by the CLRA.

160. Pursuant to California Civil Code § 1780, Plaintiff seeks injunctive relief, reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, and any other relief that the Court deems proper.

161. Defendants knew or should have known that their Products did not contain the claimed characteristics because Defendants manufactured, marketed and sold their Products without those characteristics that they claimed. Defendants knew or should have known that their representations about their products as described herein violated consumer protection laws, and that these statements would be relied upon by Plaintiff and members of the California Class.

162. Defendants' actions as described herein were done with conscious disregard of Plaintiff's and California Class Members' rights and was wanton and malicious.

163. Defendants' wrongful business practices constituted, and constitute, a continuing course of conduct in violation of the CLRA since Defendants are still representing that their Products have characteristics which they do not have.

COUNT IV
Breach of Express Warranty
(On Behalf of the National Class)

164. Plaintiff repeats and realleges each and every allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

165. Plaintiff brings this claim individually and on behalf of the members of the proposed Classes against the Defendants.

166. Defendants, as the designers, manufacturers, marketers, distributors, and/or sellers, expressly warranted and represented that the Products contain significant amounts of real fruit.

167. Defendants provided the Plaintiff and Class Members with an express warranty in the form of written affirmations of fact promising and representing that the Products contains significant amounts of real fruit.

168. The above affirmations of fact were not couched as “belief” or “opinion,” and were not “generalized statements of quality not capable of proof or disproof.”

169. Defendants’ express warranties, and its affirmations of fact and promises made to Plaintiff and Class Members regarding the Products, became part of the basis of the bargain between Defendants, Plaintiff, and the Classes, thereby creating an express warranty that the Products would conform to those affirmations of fact, representations, promises, and descriptions.

170. The Products do not conform to the express warranty because it does not contain any real fruit.

171. Additionally, prior to the filing of this complaint, Plaintiff timely notified Defendants of these breaches via a letter sent via the U.S. Postal Service.

COUNT V
Breach of Implied Warranty of Merchantability
(On Behalf of the National Class)

172. Plaintiff repeats and realleges each and every allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

173. Plaintiff brings this claim individually and on behalf of the members of the proposed Classes against the Defendant.

174. The Products are goods, and Defendants, as the manufacturers, marketers, distributors, and sellers of the Products are merchants under the law.

175. Defendants developed, manufactured, distributed, marketed, advertised, and sold the Products directly to or for their eventual sale to end users.

176. Defendants impliedly warranted to Plaintiff and Class Members, prior to their purchase of the Products, that the Products were merchantable and reasonably fit for the purposes for which such products are used and that the Products were acceptable in trade for the product description.

177. Plaintiff and Class Members relied on statements made on Defendants' packaging, product labels, and in its marketing literature that the Products contained significant amounts of real fruit and were fit for the ordinary purposes for which such Products are used.

178. Plaintiff and Class Members purchased the Products that were manufactured and sold by Defendants in consumer transactions. The implied warranty of merchantability attached to the sale of these Products.

179. Defendants' Products do not meet the quality of their description because they do not contain real fruit.

180. Defendants' Products are not adequately contained, packaged and labeled because they are packaged as containing significant amounts of real fruit, but instead the Products contain no real fruit.

181. Defendants' Products also do not conform to the promises and affirmations of fact made on their containers, packaging and labels, website, and marketing literature because they do not contain real fruit as the Products' packaging and labeling warrants.

182. Accordingly, Defendants breached their duty by selling to Plaintiff and Class Members Products that were not of merchantable quality. Therefore, Plaintiff

1 and Class Members did not receive the Products as warranted. The products
2 purchased by Plaintiff and Class Members were worth substantially less than the
3 products Defendants promised and represented. Plaintiff and Class Members relied
4 on Defendants' implied warranties concerning their Products and Plaintiff sustained
5 an ascertainable loss (financial injury) from Defendants' breach of the implied
6 warranty of merchantability.
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8 183. Prior to the filing of this complaint, Defendants were provided written
9 notice of these breached warranties.

10 184. Defendants did not respond to this written notice.

11 185. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conduct, Plaintiff and
12 the Class Members have suffered actual damages in that they have purchased
13 Products of inferior quality and ingredients compared to how they were represented.
14 Defendants' Products are worth far less than the price Plaintiff and the Class
15 Members paid, and Plaintiff and Class Members would not have purchased the
16 Products at all if they had known of the true quality and ingredients of Defendants'
17 Products.
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19 186. Plaintiff, on behalf of herself and the Class Members, demand judgment
20 against Defendants for compensatory damages for herself and each of the other Class
21 Members, as well as attorneys' fees, interest, costs, and any appropriate injunctive
22 relief.
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COUNT VI
Unjust Enrichment
(On Behalf of the National Class)

187. Plaintiff repeats and realleges each and every allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

188. By means of Defendants' wrongful conduct alleged herein, Defendants knowingly sold the Products to Plaintiff and Class Members in a manner that was unfair, unconscionable, and oppressive.

189. Defendants knowingly received and retained wrongful benefits and funds from Plaintiff and the Class Members. In so doing, Defendants acted with conscious disregard for the rights of Plaintiff and members of the Class.

190. As a result of Defendants' wrongful conduct as alleged herein, Defendants have been unjustly enriched at the expense of, and to the detriment of, Plaintiff and members of the Class.

191. Defendants' unjust enrichment is traceable to, and resulted directly and proximately from, the conduct alleged herein.

192. Under the common law doctrine of unjust enrichment, it is inequitable for Defendants to be permitted to retain the benefits they received, without justification, from selling the Products to Plaintiff and members of the Class in an unfair, unconscionable, and oppressive manner. Defendants' retention of such funds under such circumstances making it inequitable to do so constitutes unjust enrichment.

193. The financial benefits derived by Defendants rightfully belong to Plaintiff and members of the Class. Defendants should be compelled to return in a

1 common fund for the benefit of Plaintiff and members of the Class all wrongful or
 2 inequitable proceeds received by Defendants.

3 4 **RELIEF DEMANDED**

5 194. WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, individually and on behalf the Class Members,
 6 seeks judgment and relief against Defendants, as follows:
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- 8 a) For an order declaring: (i) this is a class action pursuant to Rule 23 of
 9 the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure on behalf of the proposed Classes
 10 described herein; and (ii) appointing Plaintiff to serve as a
 11 representative for the Classes and Plaintiff's counsel to serve as Class
 12 Counsel;
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 14 b) For an order enjoining Defendants from continuing to engage in the
 15 unlawful conduct set forth herein;
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 17 c) For an order awarding restitution of the monies Defendants wrongfully
 18 acquired by their illegal and deceptive conduct;
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 20 d) For an order requiring disgorgement of the monies Defendants
 21 wrongfully acquired by their illegal and deceptive conduct;
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 23 e) For compensatory and punitive damages, including actual and statutory
 24 damages, arising from Defendants' wrongful conduct and illegal conduct;
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 26 f) For an award of reasonable attorneys' fees and costs and expenses
 27 incurred in the course of prosecuting this action; and
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 g) For such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

JURY TRIAL DEMAND

Plaintiff demands a jury trial on all causes of action so triable.

Dated: May 4, 2022

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I. (a) PLAINTIFFS
Marcia Campbell, individually, and on behalf of those similarly situated,

(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff Humboldt
(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)

(c) Attorneys (Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number)

DEFENDANTS
Arizona Beverages USA LLC and Hornell Brewing Co., Inc.,

County of Residence of First Listed Defendant Orange
(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED.

Attorneys (If Known)

II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

☐ 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff ☐ 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)

☐ 2 U.S. Government Defendant ☒ 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for Defendant)

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V. ORIGIN (Place an "X" in One Box Only)
☒ 1 Original Proceeding ☐ 2 Removed from State Court ☐ 3 Remanded from Appellate Court ☐ 4 Reinstated or Reopened ☐ 5 Transferred from Another District (specify) ☐ 6 Multidistrict Litigation--Transfer ☐ 8 Multidistrict Litigation--Direct File

VI. CAUSE OF ACTION
Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing (Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity):
28 U.S.C. Section 1332(d)(2) (Diversity Jurisdiction)
Brief description of cause:
Consumer Fraud - Deceptive, Misleading, and Fraudulent Marketing of Food Products

VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT: ☒ CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER RULE 23, Fed. R. Civ. P. DEMAND \$ 5,000,000.01
CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint: JURY DEMAND: ☒ Yes ☐ No

VIII. RELATED CASE(S), IF ANY (See instructions): JUDGE DOCKET NUMBER

IX. DIVISIONAL ASSIGNMENT (Civil Local Rule 3-2)
(Place an "X" in One Box Only) ☐ SAN FRANCISCO/OAKLAND ☐ SAN JOSE ☒ EUREKA-MCKINLEYVILLE

DATE 05/03/2022 SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTORNEYS COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET FORM JS-CAND 44

Authority For Civil Cover Sheet. The JS-CAND 44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replaces nor supplements the filings and service of pleading or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved in its original form by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the Clerk of Court to initiate the civil docket sheet. Consequently, a civil cover sheet is submitted to the Clerk of Court for each civil complaint filed. The attorney filing a case should complete the form as follows:

- I. a) Plaintiffs-Defendants.** Enter names (last, first, middle initial) of plaintiff and defendant. If the plaintiff or defendant is a government agency, use only the full name or standard abbreviations. If the plaintiff or defendant is an official within a government agency, identify first the agency and then the official, giving both name and title.
 - b) County of Residence.** For each civil case filed, except U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county where the first listed plaintiff resides at the time of filing. In U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county in which the first listed defendant resides at the time of filing. (NOTE: In land condemnation cases, the county of residence of the “defendant” is the location of the tract of land involved.)
 - 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).”
- II. Jurisdiction.** The basis of jurisdiction is set forth under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 8(a), which requires that jurisdictions be shown in pleadings. Place an “X” in one of the boxes. If there is more than one basis of jurisdiction, precedence is given in the order shown below.
- (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.
 - (3) Federal question. This refers to suits under 28 USC § 1331, where jurisdiction arises under the Constitution of the United States, an amendment to the Constitution, an act of Congress or a treaty of the United States. In cases where the U.S. is a party, the U.S. plaintiff or defendant code takes precedence, and box 1 or 2 should be marked.
 - (4) Diversity of citizenship. This refers to suits under 28 USC § 1332, where parties are citizens of different states. When Box 4 is checked, the citizenship of the different parties must be checked. (See Section III below; **NOTE: federal question actions take precedence over diversity cases.**)
- III. Residence (citizenship) of Principal Parties.** This section of the JS-CAND 44 is to be completed if diversity of citizenship was indicated above. Mark this section for each principal party.
- 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.
- (1) Original Proceedings. Cases originating in the United States district courts.
 - (2) Removed from State Court. Proceedings initiated in state courts may be removed to the district courts under Title 28 USC § 1441. When the petition for removal is granted, check this box.
 - (3) Remanded from Appellate Court. Check this box for cases remanded to the district court for further action. Use the date of remand as the filing date.
 - (4) Reinstated or Reopened. Check this box for cases reinstated or reopened in the district court. Use the reopening date as the filing date.
 - (5) Transferred from Another District. For cases transferred under Title 28 USC § 1404(a). Do not use this for within district transfers or multidistrict litigation transfers.
 - (6) Multidistrict Litigation Transfer. Check this box when a multidistrict case is transferred into the district under authority of Title 28 USC § 1407. When this box is checked, do not check (5) above.
 - (8) Multidistrict Litigation Direct File. Check this box when a multidistrict litigation case is filed in the same district as the Master MDL docket. Please note that there is no Origin Code 7. Origin Code 7 was used for historical records and is no longer relevant due to changes in statute.
- 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. Brief Description: 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. Jury Demand. Check the appropriate box to indicate whether or not a jury is being demanded.
- VIII. Related Cases.** This section of the JS-CAND 44 is used to identify related pending cases, if any. If there are related pending cases, insert the docket numbers and the corresponding judge names for such cases.
- IX. Divisional Assignment.** If the Nature of Suit is under Property Rights or Prisoner Petitions or the matter is a Securities Class Action, leave this section blank. For all other cases, identify the divisional venue according to Civil Local Rule 3-2: “the county in which a substantial part of the events or omissions which give rise to the claim occurred or in which a substantial part of the property that is the subject of the action is situated.”
- Date and Attorney Signature.** Date and sign the civil cover sheet.

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