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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF OREGON

Portland Division

FALANA MARIE FLAIG on behalf of herself and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

NO.

v.

CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT JURY TRIAL DEMAND

SUREID, INC.

Defendant.

Falana Marie Flaig ("Plaintiff") on behalf of herself and a class of those similarly

situated, by way of Complaint against Sureid, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "Defendant") by and through her counsel alleges as follows:

NATURE OF THE ACTION

1. This is a civil action for collection of unpaid wages and benefits for sixty (60) calendar days pursuant to the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act of 1988 29 U.S.C. §§ 2101-2109 et seq. (the "WARN Act"). The Plaintiff was an employee of the Defendant until she was terminated as part of, or as a result of a mass layoff ordered by the Defendant. As such, the Defendant is liable under the WARN Act for the failure to provide the Plaintiff and the other similarly situated former employees at least 60 days' advance written notice of termination, as required by the WARN Act.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

This Court has jurisdiction over this proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §
 1331 and 29 U.S.C § 2104 (a)(5).

 The violation of the WARN Act alleged herein occurred in this District and more particularly Hillsboro, OR. Venue in this Court is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C § 123 (b)(2).

THE PARTIES

Upon information and belief, at all relevant times Defendant was an
 Oregon corporation which maintained a facility at 5800 NW Pinefarm Place, Hillsboro, OR
 97124 (the "Facility").

5. At all relevant times, Plaintiff was an employee who was employed by Defendant and worked at or reported to the Facility until her termination without cause on or about May 8, 2017.

6. On or about May 8, 2017, Defendant ordered the termination of the Plaintiff's employment. At or about the time the Plaintiff was terminated and during the following 30 days and thereafter, Defendant ordered the termination of approximately 250 other similarly situated employees who worked at or reported to the Facility (the "Other Similarly Situated Employees") as part of a mass layoff as defined by the WARN Act, for which they were entitled to receive 60 days advance written notice under the WARN Act.

CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS – 29 U.S.C. § 2104 (a)(5)

7. Pursuant to 29 U.S.C. § 2104 (a)(5), the Plaintiff maintains this action on behalf of herself and on behalf of each of the Other Similarly Situated Employees.

8. Each of the Other Similarly Situated Former Employees is similarly situated to the Plaintiff in respect to his or her rights under the WARN Act.

9. Defendant was required by the WARN Act to give the Plaintiff and the Other Similarly Situated Employees at least 60 days advance written notice prior to their terminations.

Prior to their terminations, neither the Plaintiff nor the Other Similarly
 Situated Employees received written notice that complied with the requirements of the WARN
 Act.

11. Defendant failed to pay the Plaintiff and the Other Similarly Situated Employees their respective wages, salary, commissions, bonuses, accrued holiday pay and accrued vacation for sixty (60) days following their respective terminations and failed to make 401(k) contributions and provide them with health insurance coverage and other employee benefits.

CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS RULES 23 (a) and (b)

12. The Plaintiff brings this action on her own behalf and, pursuant to Rules 23(a) and (b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure on behalf of the other employees who worked at the Facility and were terminated as part of a mass layoff ordered by the Defendant at the Facility on or about May 8, 2017 and during the following 30 days and thereafter ("the "Class").

13. The persons in the Class identified above ("Class Members") are so numerous that joinder of all Class Members is impracticable.

14. There are questions of law and fact common to the Class Members that predominate over any questions affecting only individual members.

15. The claims of the representative parties are typical of the claims of the Class.

16. The representative parties will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the Class.

17. The Plaintiff has retained counsel competent and experienced in complex class action employment litigation.

18. A class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this controversy - particularly in the context of WARN Act litigation, where an individual Plaintiff and Class Members may lack the financial resources to vigorously prosecute a lawsuit in federal court against a corporate defendant.

19. There are questions of law and fact common to the Class Members that predominate over any questions solely affecting individual members of the Class, including but not limited to:

- (a) Whether the Class Members were employees of the Defendant who worked at or reported to the Facility;
- (b) Whether Defendant terminated the employment of the Class Members as part of a mass layoff without cause on their part and without giving them 60 days advance written notice;
- (c) Whether the Defendant may rely on the WARN Act's "unforeseeable business circumstances" or "faltering company" defense.
- (d) Whether Defendant's failure to provide 60 days notice should render it liable to the Class Members for 60 days pay and benefits.

CLAIM FOR RELIEF

20. At all relevant times, Defendant employed 100 or more employees, exclusive of part-time employees, or employed 100 or more employees who in the aggregate worked at least 4,000 hours per week exclusive of hours of overtime within the United States as defined by the WARN Act and employed more than 50 employees at the Facility.

21. At all relevant times, Defendant was an "employer," as that term is defined in 29 U.S.C. § 2101(a)(1) of WARN and 20 C.F.R. § 639.3(a).

22. On or about May 8, 2017 and during the following 30 days and thereafter, the Defendant ordered a "mass layoff" at the Facility as that term is defined by 29 U.S.C. § 2101(a)(3).

23. The Plaintiff and the Class Members who were terminated by Defendant as a result of Defendant ordering a mass layoff at the Facility on or about May 8, 2017 and during the following 30 days and thereafter were "affected employees" as defined by 29 U.S.C. § 2101(a)(5) of the WARN Act.

24. The mass layoff at the Facility resulted in "employment losses," as that term is defined by the WARN Act for at least fifty (50) of Defendant's employees as well as 33% of Defendant's workforce at the Facilities, excluding "part-time employees," as that term is defined by the WARN Act.

25. The Plaintiff and each of the Class Members are "aggrieved employees" of the Defendant as that term is defined in 29 U.S.C. § 2104 (a)(7).

26. Pursuant to Section 2102 of WARN and 20 C.F.R. § 639.1 - § 639.10 <u>et</u> seq., Defendant was required to provide at least 60 days prior written notice of the terminations.

27. Defendant failed to provide at least sixty (60) days prior notice to the Class Members of their terminations.

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28. The Defendant failed to pay the Plaintiff and each of the Class Members their respective wages, salary, commissions, bonuses, accrued holiday pay and accrued vacation for 60 working days following their respective terminations, and failed to make the pension and 401(k) contributions, provide other employee benefits under ERISA, and pay their medical expenses for 60 calendar days from and after the dates of their respective terminations.

29. As a result of Defendant's failure to pay the wages, benefits and other monies as asserted above, the Aggrieved Employees were damaged in an amount equal to the sum of the Class Members unpaid wages, accrued holiday pay, accrued vacation pay, accrued sick leave pay and benefits which would have been paid for a period of sixty (60) calendar days after the date of the members' terminations.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff and Class Members demand judgment against the Defendant as follows:

a. An amount equal to the sum of: unpaid wages, salary, commissions, bonuses, accrued holiday pay, accrued vacation pay pension and 401(k) contributions and other ERISA benefits that would have been covered and paid under the then applicable employee benefit plans had that coverage continued for that period, for sixty (60) working days following the member employee's termination, all determined in accordance with the WARN Act;

b. Certification that, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 23 (a) and (b) and the WARN Act, 29 U.S.C §2104(a)(5), Plaintiff and the Class Members constitute a single class;

c. Interest as allowed by law on the amounts owed under the preceding paragraphs;

d. Appointment of the undersigned attorneys as Class Counsel;

e. Appointment of Plaintiff as the Class Representative and payment of reasonable compensation for her services as such;

f. The reasonable attorneys' fees and the costs and disbursements the

Plaintiff incurs in prosecuting this action, as authorized by the WARN Act, 29 U.S.C.

§2104(a)(6);

g. Such other and further relief as this Court may deem just and proper.

Dated: June 8, 2017

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Federal question. (3) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 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.

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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 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 Rule 23, F.R.Cv.P. 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 44 is used to reference related pending cases, if any. If there are related pending cases, insert the docket numbers and the corresponding judge names for such cases.

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