### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

DANNA FOREMAN, ON BEHALF OF HERSELF AND OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED,

Plaintiff,

CASE NO. CIV-18-1260-F

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4 CORNERS CONSTRUCTION, LLC, Defendant.

### **NOTICE OF REMOVAL**

TO: THE CLERK OF THE ABOVE TITLED COURT AND ALL PARTIES:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Defendant 4 Corners Construction, LLC ("4 Corners"), hereby removes this action from the District Court of Oklahoma County, State of Oklahoma, to the United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1441(a). 4 Corners removes this case on the grounds that this Court has original jurisdiction based on the existence of a federal question. CNI's Notice of Removal is based upon and supported by the following:

### **BACKGROUND**

1. On October 17, 2018, Plaintiff Danna Foreman, on behalf of herself and others similarly situated ("Plaintiff") filed this civil action against 4 Corners in the District Court of Oklahoma County, State of Oklahoma, Case No. CJ-2018-5697 (the "State Court Action"). Plaintiff brings claims of failure to pay wages in violation of Plaintiff's employment contract, the Oklahoma Protection of Labor Act (OPLA) and the Fair Labor

Standards Act (FLSA). Plaintiff also asserts claims for wrongful termination in retaliation for complaints of unpaid wages in violation of the FLSA and Oklahoma's public policy. See State Court Docket, Exhibit 1; Petition, Exhibit 2 and Summons, Exhibit 3.

- 2. On November 30, 2018, Plaintiff served 4 Corners with her Petition via its registered agent.
- 3. This Notice of Removal is timely because it is filed within 30 days of service of the Petition. See 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b)(2)(B).
- 4. Removal to this Court is appropriate because the Petition is pending in the District Court of Oklahoma County, State of Oklahoma, which is located in this Court's jurisdiction. See 28 U.S.C. §§ 116(c), 1441(a).

### **GROUNDS FOR REMOVAL**

- 5. The Court has original jurisdiction over the State Court Action under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331. Plaintiff's claims under the Fair Labor Standards Act arise under the laws of the United States providing this Court federal question jurisdiction.
- 6. Therefore, the State Court Action may be removed to this Court by Defendant 28 U.S.C. § 1441(a).

### NOTICES PROVIDED TO PLAINTIFF AND TO STATE COURT

- 7. Under 28 U.S.C. § 1446(a) and LCvR81.2(a), the docket sheet and a true and correct copy of all process, pleadings, and orders served upon the Defendants in the State Court Action are attached. See Exhibits 1-9;
- 8. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1446(d), Defendants will promptly file a notice of filing of removal, with a copy of this Notice of Removal attached, with the

Cleveland County Court Clerk – which is the court in which this action was commenced and pending at the time this Notice of Removal was filed with this Court - in Danna Foreman, on behalf of herself and others similarly situated v. 4 Corners Construction, LLC, District Court of Oklahoma County, State of Oklahoma, Case No. CJ-2018-5697. Defendants will promptly serve a notice of filing of removal, with a copy of the Notice of

CONCLUSION

9. By this notice, Defendants do not waive any objections it may have as to improper service, jurisdiction, venue, or any other defenses or objections to this action.

Defendant intends no admission of fact, law or liability by this notice, and reserves all

defenses, motions, and please. Defendant requests this action be removed to this Court for

determination, that all further proceedings in the state court suit be stayed, and that the

Defendant obtain all additional relief to which it is entitled.

Removal attached, on Plaintiff. See State Court Notice, Exhibit 10.

Defendant 4 Corners respectfully removes the above-captioned action now pending

against it in the District Court of Oklahoma County, State of Oklahoma, to this Court.

DATED: December 28, 2018.

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Respectfully submitted,

/s/Sam R. Fulkerson

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on December 28, 2018, I electronically transmitted the foregoing document to the Clerk of Court using the ECF system for filing and transmittal of a Notice of Electronic Filing to the following ECF registrants:

Mark E. Hammons Amber L. Hurst Kristin E. Richards Hammons, Gowens, Hurst & Assoc. 325 Dean A. McGee Avenue Oklahoma City, OK 73102 Attorneys for Plaintiff

> /s/ Sam R. Fulkerson Sam R. Fulkerson

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### IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR OKLAHOMA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

1. DANNA FOREMAN, ON BEHALF OF HERSELF AND OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED,

Plaintiff,

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**TERMINATION)**Filed: 10/17/2018

No. CJ-2018-5697

(Civil relief more than \$10,000: WRONGFUL

1. 4 CORNERS CONSTRUCTION, LLC,

Defendant.

Judge: Davis, Lisa T

### **PARTIES**

4 Corners Construction Llc, Defendant Foreman, Danna, Plaintiff

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#### Represented Parties

4 Corners Construction Llc,

Foreman, Danna

4 Corners Construction Llc,

### **EVENTS**

None

### **ISSUES**

For cases filed before 1/1/2000, ancillary issues may not appear except in the docket.

Issue # 1.

Issue: WRONGFUL TERMINATION (TERMINATE)

Filed By: Foreman, Danna Filed Date: 10/17/2018

**Party Name** 

**Disposition Information** 

Pending.

### DOCKET

Date	Code	Description	Count Party	Amount
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10-17-2018	TERMINATE	WRONGFUL TERMINATION		
10-17-2018	DMFE	DISPUTE MEDIATION FEE		\$ 7.00
10-17-2018	PFE1	PETITION		\$ 163.00
10-17-2018	PFE7	LAW LIBRARY FEE		\$ 6.00
10-17-2018	OCISR	OKLAHOMA COURT INFORMATION SYSTEM REVOLVING FUND		\$ 25.00
10-17-2018	OCJC	OKLAHOMA COUNCIL ON JUDICIAL COMPLAINTS REVOLVING FUND		\$ 1.55
10-17-2018	OCASA	OKLAHOMA COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES		\$ 5.00
10-17-2018	SSFCHSCPC	SHERIFF'S SERVICE FEE FOR COURTHOUSE SECURITY PER BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER		\$ 10.00
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10-17-2018 [	DCADMIN155	DISTRICT COURT ADMINISTRATIVE FEE ON \$1.55 COLLECTIONS			\$ 0.23
10-17-2018	DCADMIN05	DISTRICT COURT ADMINISTRATIVE FEE ON \$5 COLLECTIONS			\$ 0.75
10-17-2018 [	DCADMINCSF	DISTRICT COURT ADMINISTRATIVE FEE ON COURTHOUSE SECURITY PER BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER			\$ 1.50
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10-17-2018	ACCOUNT	RECEIPT # 2018-4467425 ON 10/17/2018. PAYOR: HAMMONS AND ASSOCIATES INC TOTAL AMOUNT PAID: \$ 242.14. LINE ITEMS: CJ-2018-5697: \$173.00 ON AC01 CLERK FEES. CJ-2018-5697: \$6.00 ON AC23 LAW LIBRARY FEE CIVIL AND CRIMINAL. CJ-2018-5697: \$1.66 ON AC31 COURT CLERK REVOLVING FUND. CJ-2018-5697: \$5.00 ON AC58 OKLAHOMA COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES. CJ-2018-5697: \$1.55 ON AC59 COUNCIL ON JUDICIAL COMPLAINTS REVOLVING FUND. CJ-2018-5697: \$7.00 ON AC64 DISPUTE MEDIATION FEES CIVIL ONLY. CJ-2018-5697: \$0.45 ON AC65 STATE JUDICIAL REVOLVING FUND, INTERPRETER SVCS. CJ-2018-5697: \$2.48 ON AC67 DISTRICT COURT REVOLVING FUND. CJ-2018-5697: \$25.00 ON AC79 OCIS REVOLVING FUND. CJ-2018-5697: \$10.00 ON AC81 LENGTHY TRIAL FUND. CJ-2018-5697: \$10.00 ON AC88 SHERIFF'S SERVICE FEE FOR COURT HOUSE SECURITY.			
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### IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF OKLAHOMA COUNTY WARREN STATE OF OKLAHOMA COURT CLERK

<ol> <li>DANNA FOREMAN, on behalf of herself and others similarly situated,</li> </ol>	) )
Plaintiff,	CJ-2018-5697
<b>v.</b> .	) Case No. CJ-2018-
1. 4 CORNERS CONSTRUCTION, LLC,	) ATTORNEY LIEN CLAIMED ) JURY TRIAL DEMANDED
Defendant.	)

#### **PETITION**

**COMES NOW** the Plaintiff and pleads her claims as follows:

### **PARTIES**

- 1. The Plaintiff is Danna Foreman, an adult residing in Oklahoma County, Oklahoma.
- 2. The Defendant is 4 Corners Construction, LLC, a domestic company doing business in Oklahoma County, Oklahoma.

### **CLAIMS & VENUE**

- 3. Plaintiff's claims are for failure to pay wages in violation of Plaintiff's employment contract, the Oklahoma Protection of Labor Act (OPLA) and the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA). Plaintiff also asserts claims for wrongful termination in retaliation for her complaints of unpaid wages, in violation of the FLSA and Oklahoma's clearly established public policy as set out in 40 Okla. St. § 165.1, et seq. and Reynolds v. Avance Alarms, Inc., 232 P.3d 907 (2009).
- 4. Many of the actions giving rise to Plaintiff's claims arose in Oklahoma County such that venue is proper in Oklahoma County.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS

- 5. The Defendant is an employer under the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) in that it is a company that builds residential homes in Oklahoma, Missouri and Iowa and has at least five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) in annual gross revenue.
- 6. The Plaintiff became employed with the Defendant around May 4, 2018.
- 7. The Plaintiff was hired under the job position as Sales Coordinator/Sales Executive.
- 8. The Plaintiff was not a supervisor and was entitled to both minimum wages and overtime wages under the FLSA.
- 9. The Plaintiff was qualified for her job and performed satisfactorily.
- 10. The Defendant also employed other Sales Coordinators/Sales Executives who were entitled to minimum and overtime wages under the Fair Labor Standards Act.
- 11. Around May 4, 2018, the Plaintiff and the Defendant entered into a contractual agreement which provided that Defendant would pay the Plaintiff a base salary of twenty four thousand dollars (\$24,000) per year.
- 12. Thereafter the Defendant also promised to pay the Plaintiff commissions of 1.5% on properties sold by the Plaintiff, in addition to her base salary.
- 13. Although the Plaintiff and Defendant maintained a written contractual agreement regarding the amount of her base salary, the Plaintiff was at all times an at-will employee.
- During multiple weeks of her employment, including in July, August and September2018, the Plaintiff worked in excess of forty (40) hours per week.
- 15. During these periods, the Defendant did not pay the Plaintiff any wages earned, including the wages agreed upon in the written and verbal contract, minimum wages

- and/or overtime wages.
- 16. Defendant did not pay the Plaintiff commissions earned, including commissions on properties Plaintiff sold between July and September 2018.
- 17. In addition to the Plaintiff, there are at least ten current and/or former Sales Coordinators/Sales Executives who have worked for the Defendant during the preceding three years and earned wages which the Defendant has refused to pay.
- 18. Around September 12, 2018, the Plaintiff complained to the Defendant that Defendant was violating the law by failing to pay Plaintiff her wages.
- 19. Defendant terminated the Plaintiff's employment around September 28, 2018.
- 20. The stated reason was that the Plaintiff's job performance.
- 21. The Defendant's claimed justification for terminating the Plaintiff is untrue for several reasons, including that Plaintiff's performance was on par and/or better than other similarly situated employees and that Plaintiff's supervisors (including Marty Vevea, Division President) had recently praised her job performance.
- 22. As a direct result of the Plaintiff's termination, she has suffered, and continues to suffer, wage loss (including back, present and front pay along with the value of benefits associated with such wages) and emotional distress/dignitary harm damages including worry, frustration, anxiety and similar unpleasant emotions.
- 23. At the least, significant factors in the decision to terminate the Plaintiff's employment include her complaints of unpaid wages and Defendant's violations of wage laws.
- 24. After Plaintiff's termination, the Defendant offered her a "Severance Agreement and Release" which purports to require Plaintiff to release claims for, and entitlement to, her earned wages, including minimum and overtime wages.

### **COUNT I**

Plaintiff incorporates the above statements and further alleges:

- 25. Failure to pay wages (including minimum and overtime wages) and retaliation after Plaintiff complained of unpaid wages, violates the FLSA.
- 26. Under this Count, the Plaintiff is entitled to her wages loss (including back, present and front pay along with the value of benefits associated with such wages) and liquidated damages.
- 27. Plaintiff is also entitled to an award of attorney fees and costs.

#### COUNT II

Plaintiff incorporates the above statements and further alleges:

- 28. Failure to pay agreed upon wages violates the Oklahoma Protection of Labor Act.
- 29. Under this Count, the Plaintiff is entitled to her wages loss and an equal amount of liquidated damages.
- 30. Plaintiff is also entitled to an award of attorney fees and costs.

#### COUNT III

Plaintiff incorporates the above statements and further alleges:

- Failure to pay agreed upon wages violates Plaintiff's contractual agreements with the Defendant.
- 32. Under this Count, the Plaintiff is entitled to her agreed upon wages and liquidated damages.
- 33. Plaintiff is also entitled to an award of attorney fees and costs.

#### COUNT IV

Plaintiff incorporates the above statements and further alleges:

- 34. Terminating the Plaintiff in retaliation for complaining of unpaid wages violates Oklahoma's clearly established public policy as set out in 40 Okla. St. § 165.1, et seq. and Reynolds v. Avance Alarms, Inc., 232 P.3d 907 (2009) (protecting employees who report unpaid wages and assert their right to payment for wages earned).
- 35. Under this Count, the Plaintiff is entitled to her wage loss (including back, present and front pay along with the value of benefits associated with such wages) and emotional distress/dignitary harm damages.
- 36. Because the Defendant's conduct was willful or, at the least, in reckless disregard of Plaintiff's rights, the Plaintiff is entitled to an award of punitive damages.

### **CLASS CERTIFICATION**

- 37. The actions described constitutes an illegal policy and/or procedure of non-payment of wages, including minimum and/or overtime wages, as prohibited by the FLSA and OPLA.
- 38. Because the Plaintiff's injuries arise from an unlawful policy and/or procedure, Plaintiff should, upon discovery of the identity of the similarly situated employees, be entitled to a certification of a class of injured employees entitled to such relief.
- 39. There are, to Plaintiff's knowledge, at least ten to fifty employees who would be subject to the same unlawful policies and procedures and who have suffered the same injury as Plaintiff (non-payment of wages) with the only distinction being the amount of injury each suffered.
- 40. The class is specifically knowable and defined as it consists of current and former employees of the Defendant who, like Plaintiff, were not paid their wages earned (including minimum and overtime wages) and which were owed to them.

- 41. The class is sufficiently numerous that it is impractical to name each member of the class individually and such that a class action is the most economical, expeditious and just way of managing this claim.
- 42. There are questions of law or fact common to the class, including whether the employees were denied overtime wages in violation of the FLSA and OPLA.
- 43. Plaintiff Foreman, as the class representative, shares the same questions of law and fact with other class members and will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the class.
- 44. The only factual matter different between the collective plaintiffs would be the amount of wages lost and damages owed.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays that she be granted judgment in her favor and against the Defendant on her claims and that this Court grant the Plaintiff and the class all available compensatory damages, liquidated damages, pre-and post-judgment interests, costs, attorneys' fees and any other legal or equitable relief allowed by law.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THIS 17th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2018.

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1. DANNA FOREMAN, on behalf of herself and others similarly situated,	
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v.	Case No. CJ-18- CJ-2018 - 5697
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Defendant. )	
SUMM	<u>ONS</u>
To: 4 Corners Construction, LLC c/o its Registered Agent Dennis Boren 6180 Boucher Edmond, OK 73034	
written answer to the attached petition in the co days after service of this summons upon you, o same time, a copy of your answer must be delive	exclusive of the day of service. Within the red or mailed to the attorney for the Plaintiff.
ISSUED THIS $\mathcal{D}^{\mathcal{H}}$ DAY OF OCTOBER,	2018.
OKLAH	OMA COUNTY COURT CLERK
Ву	Deputy Court Clerk
Attorney for Plaintiff: HAMMONS, GOWENS, HURST & ASSOC. Amber L. Hurst, OBA No. 21231 325 Dean A. McGee Avenue Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102 (405) 235-6100; (405) 235-6111 (fax)	
This summons was served on by	Signature of person serving summons

YOU MAY SEEK THE ADVICE OF AN ATTORNEY ON ANY MATTER CONNECTED WITH THIS SUIT OR YOUR ANSWER. SUCH ATTORNEY SHOULD BE CONSULTED IMMEDIATELY SO THAT AN ANSWER MAY BE FILED WITHIN THE TIME LIMIT STATED IN THE SUMMONS.

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### **ENTRY OF APPEARANCE**

COMES NOW Mark E. Hammons of Hammons, Gowens, Hurst & Associates, hereby enters his appearance as an attorney for the Plaintiff in the above captioned action. I certify that I am admitted to practice in this Court.

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COMES NOW Amber L. Hurst of Hammons, Gowens, Hurst & Associates, hereby enters her appearance as an attorney for the Plaintiff in the above captioned action. I certify that I am admitted to practice in this Court.

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COMES NOW Kristin E. Richards of Hammons, Gowens, Hurst & Associates, hereby enters her appearance as an attorney for the Plaintiff in the above captioned action.

I certify that I am admitted to practice in this Court.

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Plaintiffs,

VS.

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4 CORNERS CONSTRUCTION, LLC,

Judge Lisa T. Davis

Defendant.

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VS.

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Defendant.

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Judge Lisa T. Davis

Defendant.

# DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE ANSWER OR OTHERWISE RESPOND TO PLAINTIFFS' PETITION

Defendant 4 Corners Construction, LLC ("4 Corners"), respectfully moves for an extension of time to file its answer or otherwise respond to Plaintiffs' Petition filed in this Court on October 17, 2018. In support of the requested extension, 4 Corners would show the Court as follows:

- 1. 4 Corners was served by Plaintiffs on November 30, 2018.
- Currently, 4 Corners' response to Plaintiffs' Petition is due Thursday, December
   20, 2018.
- 3. Due to the nature of the claims in Plaintiffs' Petition and the volume of documents necessary to review before an adequate response is filed, 4 Corners is seeking an extension of time to file their response to the Petition until Friday, December 28, 2018.
- 4. The requested extension is not made for the purposes of delay and will not adversely affect any deadlines in the case.

- 5. No prior extensions of time to respond to the Petition have been requested by 4 Corners.
- 6. Plaintiffs' counsel has been consulted and has agreed to this request for an extension.

WHEREFORE, 4 Corners requests that the Court grant it until Friday, December 28, 2018 to answer or otherwise respond to Plaintiffs' Petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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### IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF OKLAHOMA COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

DANNA FOREMAN, on behalf of herself and others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

Case No.: CJ-2018-5697

4 CORNERS CONSTRUCTION, LLC,

Judge Lisa T. Davis

Defendant.

### NOTICE TO STATE COURT OF FILING NOTICE OF REMOVAL

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1446(d), Defendant, 4 Corners Construction, LLC ("4 Corners"), hereby provides notice that on December 28, 2018, it filed a Notice of Removal under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1441(a) with the Court Clerk for the United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma in this action. A copy of the Notice of Removal and all exhibits are attached to this notice as Exhibit A.

Under 28 U.S. C. § 1446(d), because the Notice or Removal is hereby filed with the Court Clerk for the District Court of Oklahoma County, State of Oklahoma, hereby effecting removal, the "State court shall proceed no further unless and until the case is remanded."

DATED: December 28, 2018

Respectfully submitted,

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on this 28th day of December 2018, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was deposited in the US mail with postage prepaid, upon the following:

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### **CIVIL COVER SHEET**

The JS 44 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, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. (SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON NEXT PAGE OF THIS FORM.)

(a) PLAINTIFFS DANNA FOREMAN, ON BEHALF OF HERSELF AND OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED,  DEFENDANTS 4 CORNERS CONSTRUCTION, LLC.,							
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