

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

**MEGAN JURIC and JUSTINE STUHL, on
behalf of themselves and all others similarly
situated,**

Plaintiffs,

v.

DICK'S SPORTING GOODS, INC.,

Defendant.

**CLASS AND COLLECTIVE
ACTION COMPLAINT**

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

2:20-cv-651

CLASS AND COLLECTIVE ACTION COMPLAINT

Plaintiffs Megan Juric and Justine Stuhl (“Plaintiffs”), individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated, by and through their attorneys, Outten & Golden LLP, Shavitz Law Group, P.A., and Carlson Lynch LLP, upon personal knowledge as to themselves, and upon information and belief as to other matters, allege as follows:

NATURE OF THE ACTION

1. This lawsuit seeks to recover unpaid overtime compensation for Plaintiffs and their similarly situated co-workers who have worked for Defendant Dick’s Sporting Goods, Inc. (“Dick’s”) in the United States as exempt-classified Assistant Sales Managers and Assistant Store Managers, however variously titled (collectively, “Assistant Managers”) at Defendant’s retail locations nationwide.

2. Plaintiffs bring this action to recover unpaid overtime compensation for themselves and similarly situated Assistant Managers as a collective action under the Fair Labor Standards Act (“FLSA”), 29 U.S.C. §§ 201-219.

3. Plaintiff Juric also brings this action to recover unpaid overtime compensation for herself and similarly situated Ohio Assistant Managers as a Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure class action under the Ohio Minimum Fair Wage Standards Act (“OMFWSA”), Ohio Rev. Code Ann. §§ 4111.01-.99, and the Ohio Prompt Pay Act (“OPPA”), Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 4113.15 (collectively, the “Ohio Wage Laws”).

4. Plaintiff Stuhl also brings this action to recover unpaid overtime compensation for herself and similarly situated New Jersey Assistant Managers as a Rule 23 class action under the New Jersey Wage and Hour Law (“NJWHL”), N.J. Stat. Ann. §§ 34:11-56a to -56a30.

5. Dick’s is a retail sporting goods chain which operates approximately 726 retail locations across the country.

6. Dick’s had approximately \$8.8 billion in net sales in fiscal year 2019.

7. Dick’s misclassified Plaintiffs and other Assistant Managers as exempt from the overtime requirements of the FLSA, Ohio Wage Laws, and NJWHL.

8. Dick’s required Plaintiffs and other Assistant Managers to work more than 40 hours per workweek without paying them any overtime compensation and Plaintiffs and other Assistant Managers did in fact work more than 40 hours per workweek without receiving overtime compensation.

9. Plaintiffs and other Assistant Managers performed substantially the same duties in all Dick’s retail locations nationwide.

10. Plaintiffs and Assistant Managers spent the majority of their time performing the same duties that non-exempt restaurant employees performed, including: running the registers, stocking, cleaning, processing shipments, building displays, selling firearms, unloading trucks

and stocking items in their proper department, cutting open boxes, and putting items away. Performing these tasks was the primary duty of the Assistant Manager position.

11. On December 23, 2019, the parties entered into a tolling agreement to toll the statute of limitations for the claims of Plaintiffs arising under the FLSA or similar state laws, effective December 23, 2019. The parties attempted but were unable to reach a resolution on tolling the claims of all members of the FLSA Collective, thus prompting the filing of this action.

THE PARTIES

Plaintiffs

Plaintiff Megan Juric

12. Plaintiff Juric is an adult individual who is a resident of Garfield Heights, Ohio.

13. Plaintiff Juric was employed by Defendant as an Assistant Manager-Operations and Assistant Manager-Softlines at various Dick's retail locations in Ohio from approximately November 2014 to April 2019.

14. While employed by Defendant as an Assistant Manager, Plaintiff Juric regularly worked more than 40 hours per week and often worked between 50 and 60 hours per week for Defendant.

15. Pursuant to Dick's policy and pattern or practice, Dick's did not pay Plaintiff Juric overtime premium pay when she worked as an Assistant Manager in excess of 40 hours in a workweek.

16. Pursuant to Dick's policy and pattern or practice, Dick's classified Plaintiff Juric as exempt from overtime protections when she worked as an Assistant Manager for Defendant.

17. As an Assistant Manager in both Operations and Softlines, Plaintiff Juric typically performed non-exempt duties including running the registers, stocking, cleaning, processing

shipments, building displays, selling firearms, unloading trucks and stocking items in their proper department, cutting open boxes, and putting items away.

18. Plaintiff Juric is a covered employee within the meaning of the FLSA and the Ohio Wage Laws.

19. A written consent to join form for Plaintiff Juric is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

Plaintiff Justine Stuhl

20. Plaintiff Stuhl is an adult individual who is a resident of Mantua, New Jersey.

21. Plaintiff Stuhl was employed by Defendant as an Assistant Manager-Softlines at a Dick's retail location in Cherry Hill, New Jersey from approximately March 2014 to June 2017, and in Deptford, New Jersey from approximately July 2017 to August 2018.

22. While employed by Defendant as an Assistant Manager, Plaintiff Stuhl regularly worked more than 40 hours per week and often worked between 50 and 60 hours per week for Defendant.

23. Pursuant to Dick's policy and pattern or practice, Dick's did not pay Plaintiff Stuhl overtime premium pay when she worked as an Assistant Manager in excess of 40 hours in a workweek.

24. Pursuant to Dick's policy and pattern or practice, Dick's classified Plaintiff Stuhl as exempt from overtime protections when she worked as an Assistant Manager for Defendant.

25. As an Assistant Manager-Softlines, Plaintiff Stuhl typically performed non-exempt duties including running the registers, stocking, cleaning, processing shipments, building displays, selling firearms, unloading trucks and stocking items in their proper department, cutting open boxes, and putting items away.

26. Plaintiff Stuhl is a covered employee within the meaning of the FLSA and the NJWHL.

27. A written consent to join form for Plaintiff Stuhl is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

Defendant

28. Dick's principal executive office is located at 345 Court Street, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania 15108.

29. Dick's is a covered employer within the meaning of the FLSA, Ohio Wage Laws, and NJWHL.

30. At all times relevant, Dick's maintained control, oversight, and direction over Plaintiffs and similarly situated employees, including with respect to the timekeeping, payroll, and other employment practices that applied to them.

31. Dick's applies the same employment policies, practices, and procedures to all Assistant Managers at all Dick's retail locations, including policies, practices, and procedures with respect to the payment of overtime compensation.

32. At all times relevant, Dick's annual gross volume of sales made or business done was not less than \$500,000.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

33. The Court has subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1337 and supplemental jurisdiction over Plaintiffs' state law claims pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1367.

34. Plaintiffs' state law claims are so closely related to Plaintiffs' claims under the FLSA that they form part of the same case or controversy under Article III of the United States Constitution.

35. In addition, the Court has jurisdiction over Plaintiffs' claims under the FLSA pursuant to 29 U.S.C. § 216(b).

36. This Court is empowered to issue a declaratory judgment pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201 and 2202.

37. Venue is proper in the Western District of Pennsylvania pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391 because Defendant has its principal place of business in the District and a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claims occurred in this District. Defendant is subject to personal jurisdiction in Pennsylvania.

COLLECTIVE ACTION ALLEGATIONS

38. Plaintiffs bring the First Cause of Action, pursuant to the FLSA, 29 U.S.C. § 216(b), on behalf of themselves and all similarly situated persons who worked as Assistant Managers at Dick's retail locations nationwide at any time since May 4, 2017 (the "FLSA Collective") who elect to opt into this action.

39. Defendant is liable under the FLSA for, *inter alia*, failing to properly compensate Plaintiffs and the members of the FLSA Collective.

40. Consistent with Defendant's policy and pattern or practice, Plaintiffs and the members of the FLSA Collectives were not paid overtime premium compensation when they worked beyond 40 hours in a workweek.

41. All of the work that Plaintiffs and the members of the FLSA Collectives have performed has been assigned by Defendant, and/or Defendant has been aware of all of the work that Plaintiffs and the FLSA Collective have performed.

42. As part of its regular business practice, Defendant has intentionally, willfully, and repeatedly engaged in a pattern, practice, and/or policy of violating the FLSA with respect to

Plaintiffs and the members of FLSA Collective. This policy and pattern or practice includes, but is not limited to:

- (a) willfully failing to pay Plaintiffs and the members of the FLSA Collective premium overtime wages for hours that they worked in excess of 40 hours per workweek;
- (b) willfully misclassifying Plaintiffs and the members of the FLSA Collective as exempt from the protections of the FLSA; and
- (c) willfully failing to record all of the time that its employees, including Plaintiffs and the members of the FLSA Collective, have worked for the benefit of Defendant.

43. Defendant is aware or should have been aware that federal law required it to pay Plaintiffs and the members of the FLSA Collective overtime premiums for hours worked in excess of 40 per workweek.

44. Plaintiffs and the members of the FLSA Collective perform or performed the same primary duties.

45. Defendant's unlawful conduct has been widespread, repeated, and consistent.

46. There are many similarly situated current and former Assistant Managers who have been underpaid in violation of the FLSA who would benefit from the issuance of a court-supervised notice of this lawsuit and the opportunity to join it.

47. Similarly situated employees are known to Defendant, are readily identifiable, and can be located through Defendant's records.

48. Notice should be sent to the FLSA Collectives pursuant to 29 U.S.C. § 216(b).

OHIO CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS

49. Plaintiff Juric brings the Second and Third Causes of Action, the Ohio Wage Law claims, under Rule 23, on behalf of herself and a class of persons consisting of:

All persons who work or have worked as exempt-classified Assistant Sales Managers and Assistant Store Managers, however variously titled (“Assistant Managers”) at any Dick’s retail location in Ohio between May 4, 2018 and the date of final judgment in this matter (the “Ohio Rule 23 Class”).

50. Excluded from the Ohio Rule 23 Class are Defendant, Defendant’s legal representatives, officers, directors, assigns, and successors, or any individual who has, or who at any time during the class period has had, a controlling interest in Defendant; the Judge(s) to whom this case is assigned and any member of the Judge(s)’ immediate family; and all persons who will submit timely and otherwise proper requests for exclusion from the Ohio Rule 23 Class.

51. The members of the Ohio Rule 23 Class are so numerous that joinder of all members is impracticable. Although the precise number of such persons is not known to Plaintiff Juric, the facts on which the calculation of that number can be based are presently within the sole control of Defendant.

52. Upon information and belief, there are approximately 48 Dick’s retail locations in Ohio with several Assistant Managers at each location and therefore the size of the Ohio Rule 23 Class is at least 75 individuals.

53. Defendant has acted or has refused to act on grounds generally applicable to the Ohio Rule 23 Class, thereby making appropriate final injunctive relief or corresponding declaratory relief with respect to the Ohio Rule 23 Class as a whole.

54. Common questions of law and fact exist as to the Ohio Rule 23 Class that predominate over any questions only affecting them individually and include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (a) whether Defendant violated the Ohio Wage Laws;
- (b) whether Defendant failed to compensate Plaintiff Juric and the Ohio Rule 23 Class for hours worked in excess of 40 hours per workweek;

- (c) whether Defendant misclassified Plaintiff Juric and the Ohio Rule 23 Class as exempt from the overtime requirements of the Ohio Wage Laws;
- (d) whether Defendant failed to keep true and accurate time and pay records for all hours worked by Plaintiff Juric and the Ohio Rule 23 Class, and other records required by the Ohio Wage Laws;
- (e) whether Defendant's policy of failing to pay workers overtime was instituted willfully or with reckless disregard of the law; and
- (f) the nature and extent of class-wide injury and the measure of damages for those injuries.

55. Plaintiff Juric's claims are typical of the claims of the Ohio Rule 23 Class she seeks to represent.

56. Plaintiff Juric and the Ohio Rule 23 Class members work, or have worked, for Defendant as Assistant Managers.

57. Plaintiff Juric and the Ohio Rule 23 Class members enjoy the same statutory rights under the Ohio Wage Laws, including the right to be paid overtime wages for all overtime hours worked. Plaintiff Juric and the Ohio Rule 23 Class members have all sustained similar types of damages as a result of Defendant's failure to comply with the Ohio Wage Laws. Plaintiff Juric and the Ohio Rule 23 Class members have all been injured in that they have been under-compensated due to Defendant's common policies, practices, and patterns of conduct.

58. Plaintiff Juric will fairly and adequately represent and protect the interests of the members of the Ohio Rule 23 Class. Plaintiff Juric understands that, as class representative, she assumes a fiduciary responsibility to the class to represent its interests fairly and adequately. Plaintiff Juric recognizes that, as class representative, she must represent and consider the interests of the class just as she would represent and consider her own interests. Plaintiff Juric understands that, in decisions regarding the conduct of the litigation and its

possible settlement, she must not favor her own interests over the class. Plaintiff Juric recognizes that any resolution of a class action must be in the best interest of the class. Plaintiff Juric understands that, in order to provide adequate representation, she must be informed of developments in litigation, cooperate with class counsel, and testify at deposition and/or trial.

59. Plaintiff Juric has retained counsel competent and experienced in complex class actions and employment litigation. There is no conflict between Plaintiff Juric and the Ohio Rule 23 Class members.

60. A class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this litigation—particularly in the context of wage litigation like the present action, where an individual plaintiff may lack the financial resources to vigorously prosecute a lawsuit in federal court against a corporate defendant. The members of the Ohio Rule 23 Class have been damaged and are entitled to recovery as a result of Defendant’s violations of the Ohio Wage Laws. Although the relative damages suffered by individual Ohio Rule 23 Class members are not *de minimis*, such damages are small compared to the expense and burden of individual prosecution of this litigation. The individual plaintiffs lack the financial resources to conduct a thorough examination of Defendant’s timekeeping and compensation practices and to prosecute vigorously a lawsuit against Defendant to recover such damages. In addition, class litigation is superior because it will obviate the need for unduly duplicative litigation that might result in inconsistent judgments about Defendant’s practices.

61. This action is properly maintainable as a class action Rule 23(b)(3).

NEW JERSEY CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS

62. Plaintiff Stuhl brings the Fourth Cause of Action, the NJWHL claim, under Rule 23, on behalf of herself and a class of persons consisting of:

All persons who work or have worked as exempt-classified Assistant Sales Managers and Assistant Store Managers, however variously titled (“Assistant Managers”) at any Dick’s retail location in New Jersey between May 4, 2014 and the date of final judgment in this matter (the “New Jersey Rule 23 Class”).

63. Excluded from the New Jersey Rule 23 Class are Defendant, Defendant’s legal representatives, officers, directors, assigns, and successors, or any individual who has, or who at any time during the class period has had, a controlling interest in Defendant; the Judge(s) to whom this case is assigned and any member of the Judge(s)’ immediate family; and all persons who will submit timely and otherwise proper requests for exclusion from the New Jersey Rule 23 Class.

64. The members of the New Jersey Rule 23 Class are so numerous that joinder of all members is impracticable. Although the precise number of such persons is not known to Plaintiff Stuhl, the facts on which the calculation of that number can be based are presently within the sole control of Defendant.

65. Upon information and belief, there are approximately 22 Dick’s retail locations in New Jersey with several Assistant Managers at each location and therefore the size of the New Jersey Rule 23 Class is at least 40 individuals.

66. Defendant has acted or has refused to act on grounds generally applicable to the New Jersey Rule 23 Class, thereby making appropriate final injunctive relief or corresponding declaratory relief with respect to the New Jersey Rule 23 Class as a whole.

67. Common questions of law and fact exist as to the New Jersey Rule 23 Class that predominate over any questions only affecting them individually and include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (g) whether Defendant violated the NJWHL;
- (h) whether Defendant failed to compensate Plaintiff Stuhl and the New Jersey Rule 23 Class for hours worked in excess of 40 hours per workweek;
- (i) whether Defendant misclassified Plaintiff Stuhl and the New Jersey Rule 23 Class as exempt from the overtime requirements of the NJWHL;
- (j) whether Defendant failed to keep true and accurate time and pay records for all hours worked by Plaintiff Stuhl and the New Jersey Rule 23 Class, and other records required by the NJWHL;
- (k) whether Defendant's policy of failing to pay workers overtime was instituted willfully or with reckless disregard of the law; and
- (l) the nature and extent of class-wide injury and the measure of damages for those injuries.

68. The claims of Plaintiff Stuhl are typical of the claims of the New Jersey Rule 23 Class she seeks to represent.

69. Plaintiff Stuhl and the New Jersey Rule 23 Class members work, or have worked, for Defendant as Assistant Managers.

70. Plaintiff Stuhl and the New Jersey Rule 23 Class members enjoy the same statutory rights under the NJWHL, including the right to be paid overtime wages for all overtime hours worked. Plaintiff Stuhl and the New Jersey Rule 23 Class members have all sustained similar types of damages as a result of Defendant's failure to comply with the NJWHL. Plaintiff Stuhl and the New Jersey Rule 23 Class members have all been injured in that they have been under-compensated due to Defendant's common policies, practices, and patterns of conduct.

71. Plaintiff Stuhl will fairly and adequately represent and protect the interests of the members of the New Jersey Rule 23 Class. Plaintiff Stuhl understands that, as class representative, she assumes a fiduciary responsibility to the class to represent its interests fairly and adequately. Plaintiff Stuhl recognizes that, as class representative, she must represent and consider the interests of the class just as she would represent and consider her own interests. Plaintiff Stuhl understands that, in decisions regarding the conduct of the litigation and its possible settlement, she must not favor her own interests over the class. Plaintiff Stuhl recognizes that any resolution of a class action must be in the best interest of the class. Plaintiff Stuhl understands that, in order to provide adequate representation, she must be informed of developments in litigation, cooperate with class counsel, and testify at deposition and/or trial.

72. Plaintiff Stuhl has retained counsel competent and experienced in complex class actions and employment litigation. There is no conflict between Plaintiff Stuhl and the New Jersey Rule 23 Class members. A class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this litigation—particularly in the context of wage litigation like the present action, where an individual plaintiff may lack the financial resources to vigorously prosecute a lawsuit in federal court against a corporate defendant. The members of the New Jersey Rule 23 Class have been damaged and are entitled to recovery as a result of Defendant's violations of the NJWHL. Although the relative damages suffered by individual New Jersey Rule 23 Class members are not *de minimis*, such damages are small compared to the expense and burden of individual prosecution of this litigation. The individual plaintiffs lack the financial resources to conduct a thorough examination of Defendant's timekeeping and compensation practices and to prosecute vigorously a lawsuit against Defendant to recover such damages. In

addition, class litigation is superior because it will obviate the need for unduly duplicative litigation that might result in inconsistent judgments about Defendant's practices. This action is properly maintainable as a class action under Rule 23(b)(3).

COMMON FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

73. Throughout their employment with Defendant, Plaintiffs and the members of the FLSA Collective and the Ohio and New Jersey Rule 23 Classes (collectively, "Class Members") regularly worked more than 40 hours per week.

74. Plaintiffs' and the Class Members' primary job duties are common throughout Dick's retail locations nationwide.

75. Defendant was aware that Plaintiffs and the Class Members worked more than 40 hours per workweek, yet Defendant failed to pay overtime compensation for hours worked over 40 in a workweek.

76. Defendant did not keep accurate records of hours worked by Plaintiffs or the Class Members.

77. Plaintiffs' and the Class Members' primary duties were routine, non-exempt tasks including, but not limited to: running the registers, stocking, cleaning, processing shipments, building displays, selling firearms, covering cashier's breaks, helping with trucks by unloading and putting the items in their proper department, cutting open boxes, and putting items away.

78. Plaintiffs and the Class Members spent the majority of their time as Assistant Managers performing these duties that were the same as or similar to tasks performed by hourly, non-exempt employees.

79. Plaintiffs' and the Class Members' primary duties as Assistant Managers did not differ substantially from the duties of hourly, non-exempt employees.

80. Plaintiffs' and the Class Members' primary job duties as Assistant Managers did not include:

- (a) hiring;
- (b) firing;
- (c) making recommendations for hiring, firing, or other employment decisions;
- (d) scheduling; or
- (e) disciplining other employees.

81. Plaintiffs' and the Class Members' primary job duties as Assistant Managers were not directly related to Defendant's management or general business operations.

82. Plaintiffs' and the Class Members' primary job duties as Assistant Managers did not include the exercise of discretion or independent judgment regarding matters of significance.

83. Plaintiffs and the Class Members, as Assistant Managers, were not involved in planning Defendant's long- or short-term business objectives.

84. Plaintiffs and the Class Members, as Assistant Managers, did not formulate, affect, implement or interpret Defendant's management policies or operating practices.

85. Plaintiffs and the Class Members, as Assistant Managers, did not carry out major assignments that affected Defendant's business operations.

86. Plaintiffs and the Class Members, as Assistant Managers, did not have authority to commit Defendant in matters that had significant financial impact.

87. Plaintiffs and the Class Members, as Assistant Managers, could not waive or deviate from Defendant's established policies or procedures without prior approval.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION
Fair Labor Standards Act – Unpaid Overtime
(Brought on Behalf of Plaintiffs and the FLSA Collective)

88. Plaintiffs re-allege and incorporate by reference all allegations in all preceding paragraphs.

89. Defendant has engaged in a widespread pattern and practice of violating the FLSA, as described in this Class and Collective Action Complaint.

90. At all relevant times, Plaintiffs and the FLSA Collective were engaged in commerce and/or the production of goods for commerce within the meaning of 29 U.S.C. §§ 206(a) and 207(a).

91. At all relevant times, Defendant employed Plaintiffs and the FLSA Collective.

92. The overtime wage provisions set forth in the FLSA apply to Defendant.

93. At all relevant times, Defendant has been an employer engaged in commerce and/or the production of goods for commerce within the meaning of 29 U.S.C. §§ 206(a) and 207(a).

94. At all times relevant, Plaintiffs and the FLSA Collective were employees within the meaning of 29 U.S.C. §§ 203(e) and 207(a).

95. Defendant has failed to pay Plaintiffs and the FLSA Collective the overtime wages to which they are entitled under the FLSA.

96. Defendant's violations of the FLSA, as described in this Class and Collective Action Complaint, have been willful and intentional.

97. Because Defendant's violations of the FLSA have been willful, a three-year statute of limitations applies, pursuant to 29 U.S.C. § 255.

98. As a result of the unlawful acts of Defendant, Plaintiffs and the FLSA Collective have been deprived of overtime compensation and other wages in amounts to be determined at trial, and are entitled to recover of such amounts, liquidated damages, prejudgment interest, attorneys' fees, costs, other compensation pursuant to 29 U.S.C. § 216(b), and such other legal and equitable relief provided by law as the Court deems just and proper.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

**Ohio Minimum Fair Wage Standards Act – Unpaid Overtime and Recordkeeping
(Brought on Behalf of Plaintiff Juric and the Ohio Rule 23 Class)**

99. Plaintiff Juric re-alleges and incorporates by reference all allegations in all preceding paragraphs.

100. Defendant engaged in a widespread pattern, policy, and practice of violating the OMFWSA, as detailed in this Class and Collective Action Complaint.

101. At all relevant times, Defendant has been an employer within the meaning of OMFWSA. Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 4111.14(b).

102. At all times relevant, Plaintiff Juric and the members of the Ohio Rule 23 Class have been employees of Defendant within the meaning of the OMFWSA. Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 4111.14(b).

103. Plaintiff Juric and the Ohio Rule 23 Class are covered by the OMFWSA.

104. In violation of the OMFWSA, Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 4111.03(A), Defendant failed to pay Plaintiff Juric and the members of the Ohio Rule 23 Class overtime at a wage rate of one and one-half times their regular rates of pay.

105. In violation of the OMFWSA, Ohio Rev. Code Ann. §§ 4111.08, 4111.14(F), Defendant failed to make and keep accurate records of time worked by Plaintiff Juric and the members of the Ohio Rule 23 Class.

106. Defendant's violations of the OMFWSA, as described in this Class and Collective Action Complaint, have been willful and intentional.

107. As a direct and proximate result of Dick's unlawful conduct, as set forth herein, Plaintiff Juric and the Ohio Rule 23 Class have sustained damages, including loss of earnings for hours of overtime worked on behalf of Dick's in an amount according to be established at trial, liquidated damages of twice the amount of unpaid wages, and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of the action, pursuant to the OMFWSA, Ohio Rev. Code §§ 4111.10, 4111.14(J), and such other legal and equitable relief provided by law as the Court deems just and proper.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

**Ohio Prompt Pay Act – Failure to Promptly Pay Overtime
(Brought on Behalf of Plaintiff Juric and the Ohio Rule 23 Class)**

108. Plaintiff Juric re-alleges and incorporates by reference all allegations in all preceding paragraphs.

109. Defendant engaged in a widespread pattern, policy, and practice of violating the OPPA, as detailed in this Class and Collective Action Complaint.

110. At all relevant times, Defendant has been an employer within the meaning of OPPA. Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 4111.14(b).

111. At all times relevant, Plaintiff Juric and the members of the Ohio Rule 23 Class have been employees of Defendant within the meaning of the OPPA.

112. Plaintiff Juric and the Ohio Rule 23 Class are covered by the OPPA.

113. In violation of the OPPA, Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 4113.15, Defendant failed to promptly pay all wages earned to Plaintiff Juric and the Ohio Rule 23 Class within 30 days of their regularly scheduled payday.

114. As a direct and proximate result of Dick's unlawful conduct, as set forth herein, Plaintiff Juric and the Ohio Rule 23 Class have sustained damages, including damages "in an

amount equal to six per cent of the amount of the claim still unpaid and not in contest or disputed or two hundred dollars, whichever is greater,” liquidated damages, and reasonable attorneys’ fees and costs, pursuant to the OPPA, Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 4113.15, and such other legal and equitable relief provided by law as the Court deems just and proper.

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

New Jersey Wage and Hour Law – Unpaid Overtime and Recordkeeping (Brought on Behalf of Plaintiff Stuhl and the New Jersey Rule 23 Class)

115. Plaintiff Stuhl re-alleges and incorporates the foregoing paragraphs as though fully set forth herein.

116. Defendant engaged in a widespread pattern, policy, and practice of violating the NJWHL, as detailed in this Class and Collective Action Complaint.

117. At all times relevant, Defendant has been an employer within the meaning of the NJWHL. *See* N.J. Stat. Ann. § 34:11-56a1(g).

118. At all times relevant, Plaintiff Stuhl and the members of the New Jersey Rule 23 Class have been employees of Defendant within the meaning of the NJWHL. *See* N.J. Stat. Ann. § 34:11-56a1(h).

119. Plaintiff Stuhl and the New Jersey Rule 23 Class are covered by the NJWHL.

120. In violation of the NJWHL, N.J. Stat. Ann. § 34:11-56a4(b)(1), Defendant failed to pay Plaintiff Stuhl and the members of the New Jersey Rule 23 Class overtime at a wage rate of one and one-half times their regular rates of pay.

121. In violation of the NJWHL, N.J. Stat. Ann. § 34:11-56a20, Defendant failed to make and keep accurate records of time worked by Plaintiff Stuhl and the members of the New Jersey Rule 23 Class.

122. Defendant’s violations of the NJWHL, as described in this Class and Collective Action Complaint, have been willful and intentional.

123. As a direct and proximate result of Dick's unlawful conduct, as set forth herein, Plaintiff Stuhl and the New Jersey Rule 23 Class have sustained damages, including loss of earnings for hours of overtime worked on behalf of Dick's in an amount according to be established at trial, liquidated damages "equal to not more than 200 percent" of unpaid wages, and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of the action, pursuant to the NJWHL, N.J. Stat. Ann. § 34:11-56a25, and such other legal and equitable relief provided by law as the Court deems just and proper.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs, individually and on behalf of all other similarly situated persons, respectfully request that this Court grant the following relief:

- A. That, at the earliest possible time, Plaintiffs be allowed to give notice of this collective action, or that the Court issue such notice to the FLSA Collective. Such notice shall inform them that this civil action has been filed, of the nature of the action, and of their right to join this lawsuit if they believe they were denied proper wages;
- B. Unpaid overtime pay and an additional and equal amount as liquidated damages pursuant to the FLSA and supporting regulations;
- C. Unpaid overtime pay, penalties, and other damages as permitted by law pursuant to the Ohio Wage Laws and the NJWHL;
- D. Certification of the Ohio and New Jersey Rule 23 Classes pursuant to Rule 23;
- E. Designation of Plaintiff Juric as class representative of the Ohio Rule 23 Class, and counsel of record as Class Counsel;
- F. Designation of Plaintiff Stuhl as class representative of the New Jersey Rule 23 Class, and counsel of record as Class Counsel;

- G. Issuance of a declaratory judgment that the practices complained of in this Class and Collective Action Complaint are unlawful;
- H. Prejudgment and post-judgment interest;
- I. An injunction requiring Defendant to pay all statutorily required wages and cease the unlawful activity described herein;
- J. Reasonable incentive awards for the named Plaintiffs to compensate them for the time they have spent and will spend attempting to recover wages for Class and Collective Members and for the risks they took in doing so;
- K. Reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of the action; and
- L. Such other relief as this Court deems just and proper.

JURY DEMAND

Plaintiffs demand a trial by jury on all issues so triable.

Dated: May 4, 2020
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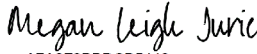
Exhibit A

CONSENT TO JOIN FORM

1. I consent to be a party plaintiff in a lawsuit against Defendant(s), Dick's Sporting Goods and/or related entities and individuals in order to seek redress for violations of the Fair Labor Standards Act, pursuant to 29 U.S.C. § 216(b).

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3. I also consent to join any other related action against Defendant(s) or other potentially responsible parties to assert my claim and for this Consent Form to be filed in any such action.

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Signature _____

Megan Leigh Juric

Print Name

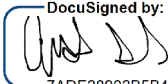
Exhibit B

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Signature

Justine Stuhl

Print Name

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.)

I. (a) PLAINTIFFS

Megan Juric and Justine Stuhl, on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated

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

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

See attachment

DEFENDANTS

Dick's Sporting Goods, Inc.

County of Residence of First Listed Defendant Allegheny County, PA
(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

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

Attorneys (If Known)
Littler Mendelson P.C.
EQT Plaza, 625 Liberty Avenue, 26th Floor
Pittsburgh, PA 15222, Tel. (412) 201-7600

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)

	PTF	DEF		PTF	DEF
Citizen of This State	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Incorporated or Principal Place of Business In This State	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
Citizen of Another State	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	Incorporated and Principal Place of Business In Another State	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	Foreign Nation	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 6

IV. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

Click here for: [Nature of Suit Code Descriptions.](#)

CONTRACT	TORTS	FORFEITURE/PENALTY	BANKRUPTCY	OTHER STATUTES
<input type="checkbox"/> 110 Insurance <input type="checkbox"/> 120 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 130 Miller Act <input type="checkbox"/> 140 Negotiable Instrument <input type="checkbox"/> 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment <input type="checkbox"/> 151 Medicare Act <input type="checkbox"/> 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excludes Veterans) <input type="checkbox"/> 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits <input type="checkbox"/> 160 Stockholders' Suits <input type="checkbox"/> 190 Other Contract <input type="checkbox"/> 195 Contract Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 196 Franchise	PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 310 Airplane <input type="checkbox"/> 315 Airplane Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 320 Assault, Libel & Slander <input type="checkbox"/> 330 Federal Employers' Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 340 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 345 Marine Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 350 Motor Vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 360 Other Personal Injury <input type="checkbox"/> 362 Personal Injury - Medical Malpractice	<input type="checkbox"/> 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881 <input type="checkbox"/> 690 Other	<input type="checkbox"/> 422 Appeal 28 USC 158 <input type="checkbox"/> 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157	<input type="checkbox"/> 375 False Claims Act <input type="checkbox"/> 376 Qui Tam (31 USC 3729(a)) <input type="checkbox"/> 400 State Reapportionment <input type="checkbox"/> 410 Antitrust <input type="checkbox"/> 430 Banks and Banking <input type="checkbox"/> 450 Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> 460 Deportation <input type="checkbox"/> 470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations <input type="checkbox"/> 480 Consumer Credit <input type="checkbox"/> 485 Telephone Consumer Protection Act <input type="checkbox"/> 490 Cable/Sat TV <input type="checkbox"/> 850 Securities/Commodities/Exchange <input type="checkbox"/> 890 Other Statutory Actions <input type="checkbox"/> 891 Agricultural Acts <input type="checkbox"/> 893 Environmental Matters <input type="checkbox"/> 895 Freedom of Information Act <input type="checkbox"/> 896 Arbitration <input type="checkbox"/> 899 Administrative Procedure Act/Review or Appeal of Agency Decision <input type="checkbox"/> 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes
	PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 365 Personal Injury - Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 367 Health Care/Pharmaceutical Personal Injury Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability		PROPERTY RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 820 Copyrights <input type="checkbox"/> 830 Patent <input type="checkbox"/> 835 Patent - Abbreviated New Drug Application <input type="checkbox"/> 840 Trademark	
	PERSONAL PROPERTY <input type="checkbox"/> 370 Other Fraud <input type="checkbox"/> 371 Truth in Lending <input type="checkbox"/> 380 Other Personal Property Damage <input type="checkbox"/> 385 Property Damage Product Liability	LABOR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 710 Fair Labor Standards Act <input type="checkbox"/> 720 Labor/Management Relations <input type="checkbox"/> 740 Railway Labor Act <input type="checkbox"/> 751 Family and Medical Leave Act <input type="checkbox"/> 790 Other Labor Litigation	SOCIAL SECURITY <input type="checkbox"/> 861 HIA (1395ff) <input type="checkbox"/> 862 Black Lung (923) <input type="checkbox"/> 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) <input type="checkbox"/> 864 SSID Title XVI <input type="checkbox"/> 865 RSI (405(g))	
REAL PROPERTY <input type="checkbox"/> 210 Land Condemnation <input type="checkbox"/> 220 Foreclosure <input type="checkbox"/> 230 Rent Lease & Ejectment <input type="checkbox"/> 240 Torts to Land <input type="checkbox"/> 245 Tort Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 290 All Other Real Property	CIVIL RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 440 Other Civil Rights <input type="checkbox"/> 441 Voting <input type="checkbox"/> 442 Employment <input type="checkbox"/> 443 Housing/Accommodations <input type="checkbox"/> 445 Amer. w/Disabilities - Employment <input type="checkbox"/> 446 Amer. w/Disabilities - Other <input type="checkbox"/> 448 Education	PRISONER PETITIONS Habeas Corpus: <input type="checkbox"/> 463 Alien Detainee <input type="checkbox"/> 510 Motions to Vacate Sentence <input type="checkbox"/> 530 General <input type="checkbox"/> 535 Death Penalty Other: <input type="checkbox"/> 540 Mandamus & Other <input type="checkbox"/> 550 Civil Rights <input type="checkbox"/> 555 Prison Condition <input type="checkbox"/> 560 Civil Detainee - Conditions of Confinement	FEDERAL TAX SUITS <input type="checkbox"/> 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant) <input type="checkbox"/> 871 IRS—Third Party 26 USC 7609	
		IMMIGRATION <input type="checkbox"/> 462 Naturalization Application <input type="checkbox"/> 465 Other Immigration Actions		

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):
29 U.S.C. §§ 201-219

Brief description of cause:
Action for unpaid overtime wages.

VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:

CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER RULE 23, F.R.Cv.P.

DEMAND \$

CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:
JURY DEMAND: Yes No

VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY

(See instructions):

JUDGE

DOCKET NUMBER

DATE

05/04/2020

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD

/s/ Gary F. Lynch

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

RECEIPT #

AMOUNT

APPLYING IFP

JUDGE

MAG. JUDGE

JS 44A REVISED June, 2009
IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA
THIS CASE DESIGNATION SHEET MUST BE COMPLETED

PART A

This case belongs on the (Erie Johnstown Pittsburgh) calendar.

1. **ERIE CALENDAR** - If cause of action arose in the counties of Crawford, Elk, Erie, Forest, McKean, Venang or Warren, OR any plaintiff or defendant resides in one of said counties.
2. **JOHNSTOWN CALENDAR** - If cause of action arose in the counties of Bedford, Blair, Cambria, Clearfield or Somerset OR any plaintiff or defendant resides in one of said counties.
3. Complete if on **ERIE CALENDAR**: I certify that the cause of action arose in _____ County and that the _____ resides in _____ County.
4. Complete if on **JOHNSTOWN CALENDAR**: I certify that the cause of action arose in _____ County and that the _____ resides in _____ County.

PART B (You are to check ONE of the following)

1. This case is related to Number _____ . Short Caption _____
2. This case is not related to a pending or terminated case.

DEFINITIONS OF RELATED CASES:

CIVIL: Civil cases are deemed related when a case filed relates to property included in another suit or involves the same issues of fact or it grows out of the same transactions as another suit or involves the validity or infringement of a patent involved in another suit
EMINENT DOMAIN: Cases in contiguous closely located groups and in common ownership groups which will lend themselves to consolidation for trial shall be deemed related.
HABEAS CORPUS & CIVIL RIGHTS: All habeas corpus petitions filed by the same individual shall be deemed related. All pro se Civil Rights actions by the same individual shall be deemed related.

PART C

I. CIVIL CATEGORY (Select the applicable category).

1. Antitrust and Securities Act Cases
2. Labor-Management Relations
3. Habeas corpus
4. Civil Rights
5. Patent, Copyright, and Trademark
6. Eminent Domain
7. All other federal question cases
8. All personal and property damage tort cases, including maritime, FELA, Jones Act, Motor vehicle, products liability, assault, defamation, malicious prosecution, and false arrest
9. Insurance indemnity, contract and other diversity cases.
10. Government Collection Cases (shall include HEW Student Loans (Education), V A Overpayment, Overpayment of Social Security, Enlistment Overpayment (Army, Navy, etc.), HUD Loans, GAO Loans (Misc. Types), Mortgage Foreclosures, SBA Loans, Civil Penalties and Coal Mine Penalty and Reclamation Fees.)

I certify that to the best of my knowledge the entries on this Case Designation Sheet are true and correct

/s/ Gary F. Lynch

Date: 05/04/2020

ATTORNEY AT LAW

NOTE: ALL SECTIONS OF BOTH FORMS MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE CASE CAN BE PROCESSED.

Civil Cover Sheet – Addendum

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

Western District of Pennsylvania

Megan Juric and Justine Stuhl, on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff(s)

v.

Dick's Sporting Goods, Inc.

Defendant(s)

Civil Action No. 2:20-cv-651

SUMMONS IN A CIVIL ACTION

To: (Defendant's name and address) Dick's Sporting Goods, Inc. 345 Court St. Coraopolis, PA 15108-3817

A lawsuit has been filed against you.

Within 21 days after service of this summons on you (not counting the day you received it) — or 60 days if you are the United States or a United States agency, or an officer or employee of the United States described in Fed. R. Civ. P. 12 (a)(2) or (3) — you must serve on the plaintiff an answer to the attached complaint or a motion under Rule 12 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The answer or motion must be served on the plaintiff or plaintiff's attorney, whose name and address are: Carlson Lynch, LLP, 1133 Penn Avenue, 5th Floor, Pittsburgh, PA 15222

If you fail to respond, judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. You also must file your answer or motion with the court.

CLERK OF COURT

Date: _____

Signature of Clerk or Deputy Clerk

Civil Action No. _____

PROOF OF SERVICE

(This section should not be filed with the court unless required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 4 (l))

This summons for *(name of individual and title, if any)* _____
was received by me on *(date)* _____ .

I personally served the summons on the individual at *(place)* _____
_____ on *(date)* _____ ; or

I left the summons at the individual's residence or usual place of abode with *(name)* _____
_____, a person of suitable age and discretion who resides there,
on *(date)* _____ , and mailed a copy to the individual's last known address; or

I served the summons on *(name of individual)* _____ , who is
designated by law to accept service of process on behalf of *(name of organization)* _____
_____ on *(date)* _____ ; or

I returned the summons unexecuted because _____ ; or

Other *(specify)*: _____

My fees are \$ _____ for travel and \$ _____ for services, for a total of \$ _____ 0.00 _____ .

I declare under penalty of perjury that this information is true.

Date: _____

Server's signature

Printed name and title

Server's address

Additional information regarding attempted service, etc:

ClassAction.org

This complaint is part of ClassAction.org's searchable class action lawsuit database and can be found in this post: [Assistant Managers at Dick's Sporting Goods Owed Unpaid Overtime, Lawsuit Claims](#)
