UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

CASE NO.:

 ROBERT SARDUY and all others similarly
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 situated under 29 U.S.C. 216(b),
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 Plaintiff,
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 vs.
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 OIL CAN MAN INC.,
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 EUGENE GARGIULO,
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Defendants.

COMPLAINT UNDER 29 U.S.C. 201- 216 OVERTIME WAGE VIOLATIONS

Plaintiff, ROBERT SARDUY, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated under 29

U.S.C. 216(b), through undersigned counsel, files this Complaint against Defendants, OIL CAN MAN INC., and EUGENE GARGIULO and alleges:

1. This is an action arising under the Fair Labor Standards Act 29 U.S.C. §§ 201-216.

- 2. The Plaintiff was a resident of Miami-Dade County, Florida at the time that this dispute arose.
- 3. The Defendant OIL CAN MAN INC., is a company that regularly transacts business within Miami-Dade County. Upon information and belief, the Defendant Corporation was the FLSA employer for Plaintiff's respective period of employment ("the relevant time period").
- 4. The individual Defendant EUGENE GARGIULO is a corporate officer and/or owner and/or manager of the Defendant Corporation who ran the day-to-day operations of the Corporate Defendant for the relevant time period and was responsible for paying Plaintiff's wages for the relevant time period and controlled Plaintiff's work and schedule and was therefore Plaintiff's employer as defined by 29 U.S.C. 203 (d).

5. All acts or omissions giving rise to this dispute took place in Miami-Dade County.

COUNT I. FEDERAL OVERTIME WAGE VIOLATION

- 6. This action arises under the laws of the United States. This case is brought as a collective action under 29 USC 216(b). It is believed that the Defendants have employed several other similarly situated employees like Plaintiff who have not been paid overtime and/or minimum wages for work performed in excess of 40 hours weekly from the filing of this complaint back three years.
- This Court has jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331 as this case is brought pursuant to The Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 U.S.C. §§ 201-219 (section #216 for jurisdictional placement).
- 8. 29 U.S.C. § 207 (a) (1) states, "Except as otherwise provided in this section, no employer shall employ any of his employees who in any workweek is engaged in commerce or in the production of goods for commerce, or is employed in an enterprise engaged in commerce or in the production of goods for commerce, for a workweek longer than forty hours unless such employee receives compensation for his employment in excess of the hours above specified at a rate not less than one and one-half times the regular rate at which he is employed."
- 9. Plaintiff worked for Defendants as a handyman and maintenance worker from on or about December 22, 2015 through on or about January 13, 2018.
- 10. Defendant's business activities involve those to which the Fair Labor Standards Act applies. Both the Defendant's business and the Plaintiff's work for the Defendant affected interstate commerce for the relevant time period. Plaintiff's work for the Defendant affected interstate commerce for the relevant time period because the materials and goods that Plaintiff used on a constant and/or continual basis and/or that were supplied to him by the Defendant to use on

the job moved through interstate commerce prior to and/or subsequent to Plaintiff's use of the same. The Plaintiff's work for the Defendant was actually in and/or so closely related to the movement of commerce while he worked for the Defendant that the Fair Labor Standards Act applies to Plaintiff's work for the Defendant.

- 11. Additionally, Defendant regularly employed two or more employees for the relevant time period who handled goods or materials that travelled through interstate commerce, or used instrumentalities of interstate commerce, thus making Defendant's business an enterprise covered under the Fair Labor Standards Act.
- 12. Upon information and belief, the Defendant Corporation had gross sales or business done in excess of \$500,000 annually for the years 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2017.
- 13. Upon information and belief, the Defendant Corporation's gross sales or business done is expected to exceed \$250,000 for the first six months of the year 2018 and is expected to exceed \$500,000 for the year 2018.
- 14. Upon information and belief, Defendants are part of a joint enterprise as defined by 29 U.S.C. 203(r) as the related activities between the Defendant Companies and several other companies, for which Plaintiff serviced at the request of the Defendants, performed through unified operation and/or common control, are being done for a common business purpose. The Defendant Company acts in tandem with several other entities including: BurgerFi Restaurant, and Westshore Pizzeria. For purposes of the issue of gross annual income, regarding FLSA enterprise coverage, Plaintiff intends to stack income as appropriate pursuant to the applicable law.
- 15. Between the period of on or about December 22, 2015 through on or about January 13, 2018, Plaintiff worked an average of 50 hours a week for Defendant and was paid an average of

\$17.50 but was not paid anything at all for any hours worked over 40 hours in a week as required by the Fair Labor Standards Act. Plaintiff therefore claims the time-and-a-half overtime rate for each hour worked above 40 in a week.

16. Defendants willfully and intentionally refused to pay Plaintiff's overtime wages as required by the Fair Labor Standards Act as Defendants knew of the overtime requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act and recklessly failed to investigate whether Defendants' payroll practices were in accordance with the Fair Labor Standards Act. Defendants remain owing Plaintiff these wages since the commencement of Plaintiff's employment with Defendants for the time period specified above.

Wherefore, the Plaintiff requests double damages and reasonable attorney fees from Defendants, jointly and severally, pursuant to the Fair Labor Standards Act as cited above, to be proven at the time of trial for all overtime wages still owing from Plaintiff's entire employment period with Defendants or as much as allowed by the Fair Labor Standards Act along with court costs, interest, and any other relief that this Court finds reasonable under the circumstances. *The Plaintiff requests a trial by jury.*

Respectfully Submitted,

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By:__/s/ J.H. Zidell_____ J.H. Zidell, Esq. Florida Bar Number: 0010121

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Defendants.

SUMMONS IN A CIVIL ACTION

To: OIL CAN MAN INC., Registered Agent: GARGIULO, EUGENE 2856 NE 35 COURT FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33308

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:

J.H. Zidell, Esq. J.H. Zidell P.A. 300 71ST Street, Suite 605 Miami Beach, Florida 33141

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: _____

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SUMMONS IN A CIVIL ACTION

To: (Defendant's name and address) STAVROS KONSOULAS 145 SW 13TH STREET APT 140 MIAMI, FL 33130

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NOTE:

Attorneys (If Known)

Eugene Gargiulo

(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

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

County of Residence of First Listed Defendant

PLAINTIFFS Robert Sarduy and all others similarly situated I. (a) under 29 U.S.C. 216(b),

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

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

J.H. Zidell, P.A.

300 71st St., Suite 605, Miami Beach, FL 33141 phone: 305-865-6766

(d) Check County Where Action Arose: 🗳 MIAMI- DADE 🗆 MONROE 🗖 BROWARD 🗖 PALM BEACH 🗖 MARTIN 🗖 ST. LUCIE 🗖 INDIAN RIVER 🗖 OKEECHOBEE 🗖 HIGHLANDS

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	2 U.S. Government Defendant	4	Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)	Citizen of Another State	2	2	Incorporated <i>and</i> Principal Place of Business In Another State	□ 5	□ 5
				Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country	3	3	Foreign Nation	6	6

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTORNEYS COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET FORM JS 44

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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 Rule 8(a), F.R.C.P., 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.

United States plaintiff. (1) Jurisdiction based on 28 U.S.C. 1345 and 1348. Suits by agencies and officers of the United States are included here.

United States defendant. (2) When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box.

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.

Diversity of citizenship. (4) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 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; federal question actions take precedence over diversity cases.)

III. Residence (citizenship) of Principal Parties. This section of the JS 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 clerks 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 seven boxes.

Original Proceedings. (1) Cases which originate in the United States district courts.

Removed from State Court. (2) Proceedings initiated in state courts may be removed to the district courts under Title 28 U.S.C., Section 1441. When the petition for removal is granted, check this box.

Refiled (3) Attach copy of Order for Dismissal of Previous case. Also complete VI.

Reinstated or Reopened. (4) Check this box for cases reinstated or reopened in the district court. Use the reopening date as the filing date.

Transferred from Another District. (5) For cases transferred under Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1404(a). Do not use this for within district transfers or multidistrict litigation transfers.

Multidistrict Litigation. (6) Check this box when a multidistrict case is transferred into the district under authority of Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1407. When this box is checked, do not check (5) above.

Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judgment. (7) Check this box for an appeal from a magistrate judge's decision.

Remanded from Appellate Court. (8) Check this box if remanded from Appellate Court.

VI. Related/Refiled Cases. This section of the JS 44 is used to reference related pending cases or re-filed cases. Insert the docket numbers and the corresponding judges name for such cases.

 VII.
 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.
 Do not cite jurisdictional Example: U.S. Civil Statute: 47 USC 553

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VIII. 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 dollar amount (in thousands of dollars) 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.

Date and Attorney Signature. Date and sign the civil cover sheet.

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