UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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Shmuel Weiss, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated;

Plaintiff,

Civil Action No: 1:18-cv-2543

CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

-against-

Keyspan Corporation, Stevens Business Service, Inc., Experian Information Solutions, Inc., and John Does 1-25,

Defendant(s).

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COMPLAINT

Plaintiff Shmuel Weiss ("Plaintiff"), a New York resident, brings this Class Action Complaint by and through his attorneys, and as and for his Complaint against Defendants Keyspan Corporation ("Keyspan"), Stevens Business Service, Inc. ("SBS)", and Experian Information Solutions, Inc. ("Experian"), individually and on behalf of a class of all others similarly situated, pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, based upon information and belief of Plaintiff's counsel, except for allegations specifically pertaining to Plaintiff, which are based upon Plaintiff's personal knowledge.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- The Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1367, as well as 15 U.S.C. § 1681p *et seq*.
- Venue is proper in this judicial district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)(2), being that the acts and transactions occurred here, Plaintiff resides here, and the Defendants transacts business here.
- 3. Plaintiff brings this action for damages arising from the Defendant's violations of 15 U.S.C. § 1681 *et seq.*, commonly known as the Fair Credit Reporting Act ("FCRA").
- 4. Plaintiff is seeking damages and declaratory and injunctive relief.

PARTIES

- Plaintiff is a resident of the State of New York, County of Kings, residing at 5908 21st Ave, Brooklyn, NY, 11219.
- At all times material hereto, Plaintiff was a "consumer" as said term is defined under 15 U.S.C. § 1681a(c).
- 7. Defendant Experian is a consumer reporting agency as defined by 15 U.S.C. § 1681a(f) and conducts substantial and regular business activities in this judicial district. Defendant Experian is an Ohio corporation, and may be served with process upon c/o CT Corporation System, its registered agent for service of process at 111 8th Ave, New York, NY, 10011.
- At all times material here to Experian is a consumer reporting agency regularly engaged in the business of assembling, evaluating and disbursing information concerning consumers for the purpose of furnishing consumer reports, as said term is defined under 15 U.S.C.
 § 1681(d) to third parties.

- 9. At all times material hereto, Experian disbursed such consumer reports to third parties under a contract for monetary compensation.
- Defendant Keyspan Corporation is a person who furnishes information to consumer reporting agencies under 15 U.S.C. § 1681s-2 address at for service c/o Corporation Service Company, 80 State Street, Albany, NY, 12207.
- Defendant Stevens Business Service, Inc. is a person who furnishes information to consumer reporting agencies under 15 U.S.C. § 1681s-2 address at for service c/o 92 Bolt Ste 1, Lowell, MA, 01852.
- 12. John Does 1-25, are fictitious names of individuals and businesses alleged for the purpose of substituting names of Defendants whose identities will be disclosed in discovery and should be made parties to this action.

CLASS ALLEGATIONS

- Plaintiffs bring this claim on behalf of the following case, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(a) and 23(b)(3).
- 14. The Class consists of:
 - a. all individuals with addresses in the State of New York;
 - b. for whom Keyspan reported a debt to Experian Information Solutions Inc.;
 - c. while Stevens Business Service as the agent for Keyspan made a duplicate reporting to Experian Information Solutions, Inc.;
 - d. specifically causing the consumer's credit report to reflect that there was two separate debts being owed;

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- e. for which the duplicate debts were reported simultaneously on a consumer's credit report within five (5) years prior to the filing of this action and on or before a date twenty-one (21) days after the filing of this action.
- 15. The identities of all class members are readily ascertainable from the records of Defendants and those companies and entities on whose behalf they attempt to collect and/or have purchased debts.
- 16. Excluded from the Plaintiff Classes are the Defendants and all officer, members, partners, managers, directors and employees of the Defendants and their respective immediate families, and legal counsel for all parties to this action, and all members of their immediate families.
- 17. There are questions of law and fact common to the Plaintiff Classes, which common issues predominate over any issues involving only individual class members. The principal issue is whether the Defendants' Keyspan and SBS have been systematically reporting duplicative debts, and whether Defendant Experian took the proper steps to prevent and rectify this issue.
- 18. The Plaintiffs' claims are typical of the class members, as all are based upon the same facts and legal theories. The Plaintiffs will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the Plaintiff Classes defined in this complaint. The Plaintiffs have retained counsel with experience in handling consumer lawsuits, complex legal issues, and class actions, and neither the Plaintiffs nor their attorneys have any interests, which might cause them not to vigorously pursue this action.

- 19. This action has been brought, and may properly be maintained, as a class action pursuant to the provisions of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure because there is a well-defined community interest in the litigation:
 - f. <u>Numerosity:</u> The Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and on that basis allege, that the Plaintiff Classes defined above are so numerous that joinder of all members would be impractical.
 - g. <u>Common Questions Predominate:</u> Common questions of law and fact exist as to all members of the Plaintiff Classes and those questions predominance over any questions or issues involving only individual class members. The principal issue is whether the Defendants' duplicative reporting of debts, and failure to delete timely upon a dispute violate 15 U.S.C. § 1692n and §1692o.
 - h. <u>Typicality:</u> The Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the class members. The Plaintiffs and all members of the Plaintiff Classes have claims arising out of the Defendants' common uniform course of conduct complained of herein.
 - i. <u>Adequacy:</u> The Plaintiffs will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the class members insofar as Plaintiffs have no interests that are adverse to the absent class members. The Plaintiffs are committed to vigorously litigating this matter. Plaintiffs have also retained counsel experienced in handling consumer lawsuits, complex legal issues, and class actions. Neither the Plaintiffs nor their counsel have any interests which might cause them not to vigorously pursue the instant class action lawsuit.

- j. <u>Superiority:</u> A class action is superior to the other available means for the fair and efficient adjudication of this controversy because individual joinder of all members would be impracticable. Class action treatment will permit a large number of similarly situated persons to prosecute their common claims in a single forum efficiently and without unnecessary duplication of effort and expense that individual actions would engender.
- 20. Certification of a class under Rule 23(b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure is also appropriate in that the questions of law and fact common to members of the Plaintiff Classes predominate over any questions affecting an individual member, and a class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of the controversy.
- 21. Depending on the outcome of further investigation and discovery, Plaintiffs may, at the time of class certification motion, seek to certify a class(es) only as to particular issues pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(c)(4).

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- 22. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs of this Complaint as though fully stated herein with the same force and effect as if the same were set forth at length herein.
- 23. On information and belief, on a date better known to Experian Information Solutions, Inc., Experian prepared and issued credit reports concerning the Plaintiff that included inaccurate information regarding a Keyspan debt.

- 24. Specifically this debt was being reported twice, once by Defendant Keyspan, and a duplicative reporting by Defendant Keyspan's agent Defendant Stevens Business Service.
- 25. Plaintiff notified Experian with a letter on or around March 8, 2018, that he disputed the accuracy of the information Experian was reporting, stating that the Keyspan account is a duplicate account of Stevens Business Service account and the Keyspan account should be deleted.
- 26. Upon receipt of the dispute of the accounts from the Plaintiff by Experian, Keyspan failed to conduct a reasonable investigation and continued to report false and inaccurate adverse information on the consumer report of the Plaintiff with respect to the disputed account.
- 27. Furthermore Defendant Keyspan did not instruct their agent Defendant Stevens Business Service, to cease their reporting.
- 28. Despite the dispute by the Plaintiff that the information on his consumer report was inaccurate with respect to the dispute account, Experian did not evaluate or consider any of the information, claims, or evidence of the Plaintiff and did not make an attempt to substantially reasonably verify that the derogatory information concerning the disputed account was inaccurate.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

(Willful Violation of the FCRA as to Experian)

- 29. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs of this Complaint as though fully state herein with the same force and effect as if the same were set forth at length herein.
- 30. This is an action for willful violation of the Fair Credit Reporting Act U.S.C. § 1681 *et seq.*,

- 31. Experian violated 15 U.S.C. § 1601(e) by failing to establish or to follow reasonable procedures to assure maximum possible accuracy in the preparation of the credit report and credit files that Experian maintained concerning the Plaintiff.
- 32. Experian should have reviewed the report and recognized the duplicative reporting occurring.
- 33. Experian has willfully and recklessly failed to comply with the Act. The failure of Experian to comply with the Act include but are not necessarily limited to the following:
 - a) The failure to follow reasonable procedures to assure the maximum possible accuracy of the information reported;
 - b) The failure to correct erroneous personal information regarding the Plaintiff after a reasonable request by the Plaintiff;
 - c) The failure to remove and/or correct the inaccuracy and derogatory credit information after a reasonable request by the Plaintiff;
 - d) The failure to promptly and adequately investigate information which Defendant Experian had notice was inaccurate;
 - e) The continual placement of inaccurate information into the credit report of the Plaintiff after being advised by the Plaintiff that the information was inaccurate;
 - f) The failure to note in the credit report that the Plaintiff disputed the accuracy of the information;
 - g) The failure to promptly delete information that was found to be inaccurate, or could not be verified, or that the source of information had advised Experian to delete;

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- h) The failure to take adequate steps to verify information Experian had reason to believe was inaccurate before including it in the credit report of the consumer.
- 34. As a result of the conduct, action and inaction of Experian, the Plaintiff suffered damage by loss of credit, loss of ability to purchase and benefit from credit, and the mental and emotional pain, anguish, humiliation and embarrassment of credit denial.
- 35. The conduct, action and inaction of Experian was willful rendering Experian liable for actual, statutory and punitive damages in an amount to be determined by a Judge/ and or Jury pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1681(n).
- 36. The Plaintiff is entitled to recover reasonable costs and attorney's fees from Experian in an amount to be determined by the Court pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1681(n).

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, Shmuel Weiss, an individual, demands judgment in his favor against Defendant, Experian, for damages together with attorney's fees and court costs pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1681(n).

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

(Negligent Violation of the FCRA as to Experian)

- 37. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs of this Complaint as though fully state herein with the same force and effect as if the same were set forth at length herein.
- 38. This is an action for negligent violation of the Fair Credit Reporting Act U.S.C. § 1681 *et seq.*,
- 39. Experian violated 15 U.S.C. § 1681i(a) by failing to delete inaccurate information from the credit file of the Plaintiff after receiving actual notice of such inaccuracies and conducting reinvestigation and by failing to maintain reasonable procedures with which to verify the disputed information in the credit file of the Plaintiff.

- 40. Experian has negligently failed to comply with the Act. The failure of Experian to comply with the Act include but are not necessarily limited to the following:
 - a) The failure to follow reasonable procedures to assure the maximum possible accuracy of the information reported;
 - b) The failure to correct erroneous personal information regarding the Plaintiff after a reasonable request by the Plaintiff;
 - c) The failure to remove and/or correct the inaccuracy and derogatory credit information after a reasonable request by the Plaintiff;
 - d) The failure to promptly and adequately investigate information which Defendant Experian had notice was inaccurate;
 - e) The continual placement of inaccurate information into the credit report of the Plaintiff after being advised by the Plaintiff that the information was inaccurate;
 - f) The failure to note in the credit report that the Plaintiff disputed the accuracy of the information;
 - g) The failure to promptly delete information that was found to be inaccurate, or could not be verified, or that the source of information had advised Experian to delete;
 - h) The failure to take adequate steps to verify information Experian had reason to believe was inaccurate before including it in the credit report of the consumer.
- 41. As a result of the conduct, action and inaction of Experian, the Plaintiff suffered damage by loss of credit, loss of ability to purchase and benefit from credit, and the mental and emotional pain, anguish, humiliation and embarrassment of credit denial.

- 42. The conduct, action and inaction of Experian was negligent, entitling the Plaintiff to damages under 15 U.S.C. § 16810.
- 43. The Plaintiff is entitled to recover reasonable costs and attorney's fees from Experian in an amount to be determined by the Court pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1681(n) and 16810.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, Shmuel Weiss, an individual, demands judgment in his favor against

Defendant, Experian, for damages together with attorney's fees and court costs pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1681(n).

<u>THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION</u> (Willful Violation of the FCRA as to Keyspan.)

- 44. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs of this Complaint as though fully state herein with the same force and effect as if the same were set forth at length herein.
- 45. This is an action for willful violation of the Fair Credit Reporting Act U.S.C. § 1681 *et seq.*,
- 46. Pursuant to the Act, all person who furnished information to reporting agencies must participate in re-investigations conducted by the agencies when consumers dispute the accuracy and completeness of information contained in a consumer credit report.
- 47. Pursuant to the Act, a furnisher of disputed information is notified by the reporting agency when the agency receives a notice of dispute from a consumer such as the Plaintiff. The furnisher must then conduct a timely investigation of the disputed information and review all relevant information provided by the agency.
- 48. The results of the investigation must be reported to the agency and, if the investigation reveals that the original information is incomplete or inaccurate, the information from a

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furnisher such as Keyspan must report the results to other agencies which were supplied such information.

- 49. The Defendant violated 15 U.S.C. § 1681s by the publishing of the Account Liability Representation; by failing to fully and improperly investigate the dispute of the Plaintiff with respect to the Account Liability Representation; by failing to review all relevant information regarding same by failing to correctly report results of an accurate investigation to the credit reporting agencies.
- 50. As a result of the conduct, action and inaction of the Defendant Keyspan, the Plaintiff suffered damage for the loss of credit, loss of the ability to purchase and benefit from credit, and the mental and emotional pain, anguish, humiliation and embarrassment of credit denials.
- 51. The conduct, action and inaction of Defendant Keyspan was willful, rendering Keyspan liable for actual, statutory and punitive damages in an amount to be determined by a jury pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1601(n).
- 52. The Plaintiff is entitled to recover reasonable costs and attorney's fees from Keyspan in an amount to be determined by the Court pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1601(n).

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, Shmuel Weiss, an individual, demands judgment in his favor against Defendant, Keyspan, for damages together with attorney's fees and court costs pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1681(n).

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Negligent Violation of the FCRA as to Keyspan.)

53. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs of this Complaint as though fully state herein with the same force and effect as if the same were set forth at length herein.

- 54. This is an action for negligent violation of the Fair Credit Reporting Act U.S.C. § 1681 *et seq.*,
- 55. Pursuant to the Act, all person who furnished information to reporting agencies must participate in re-investigations conducted by the agencies when consumers dispute the accuracy and completeness of information contained in a consumer credit report.
- 56. Pursuant to the Act, a furnisher of disputed information is notified by the reporting agency when the agency receives a notice of dispute from a consumer such as the Plaintiff. The furnisher must then conduct a timely investigation of the disputed information and review all relevant information provided by the agency.
- 57. The results of the investigation must be reported to the agency and, if the investigation reveals that the original information is incomplete or inaccurate, the information from a furnisher such as Keyspan must report the results to other agencies which were supplied such information.
- 58. After receiving the Dispute Notice from Experian, Keyspan negligently failed to conduct its reinvestigation in good faith.
- 59. A reasonable investigation would require a furnisher such as Keyspan to consider and evaluate a specific dispute by the consumer, along with all other facts, evidence and materials provided by the agency to the furnisher.
- 60. The conduct, action and inaction of Defendant Keyspan was negligent, entitling the Plaintiff to recover actual damages under 15 U.S.C. § 16810.
- 61. As a result of the conduct, action and inaction of Keyspan, the Plaintiff suffered damage for the loss of credit, loss of the ability to purchase and benefit from credit, and the mental and emotional pain, anguish, humiliation and embarrassment of credit denials.

62. The Plaintiff is entitled to recover reasonable costs and attorney's fees from Keyspan in an amount to be determined by the Court pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1601(n) and 16810.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, Shmuel Weiss, an individual, demands judgment in his favor against Defendant, Keyspan, for damages together with attorney's fees and court costs pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1681(n).

<u>FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION</u> (Willful Violation of the FCRA as to SBS.)

- 63. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs of this Complaint as though fully state herein with the same force and effect as if the same were set forth at length herein.
- 64. This is an action for willful violation of the Fair Credit Reporting Act U.S.C. § 1681 *et seq.*,
- 65. Pursuant to the Act, all person who furnished information to reporting agencies must participate in re-investigations conducted by the agencies when consumers dispute the accuracy and completeness of information contained in a consumer credit report.
- 66. Pursuant to the Act, a furnisher of disputed information is notified by the reporting agency when the agency receives a notice of dispute from a consumer such as the Plaintiff. The furnisher must then conduct a timely investigation of the disputed information and review all relevant information provided by the agency.
- 67. The results of the investigation must be reported to the agency and, if the investigation reveals that the original information is incomplete or inaccurate, the information from a furnisher such as SBS must report the results to other agencies which were supplied such information.

- 68. The Defendant violated 15 U.S.C. § 1681s by the publishing of the Account Liability Representation; by failing to fully and improperly investigate the dispute of the Plaintiff with respect to the Account Liability Representation; by failing to review all relevant information regarding same by failing to correctly report results of an accurate investigation to the credit reporting agencies.
- 69. As a result of the conduct, action and inaction of the Defendant SBS, the Plaintiff suffered damage for the loss of credit, loss of the ability to purchase and benefit from credit, and the mental and emotional pain, anguish, humiliation and embarrassment of credit denials.
- 70. The conduct, action and inaction of Defendant SBS was willful, rendering SBS liable for actual, statutory and punitive damages in an amount to be determined by a jury pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1601(n).
- 71. The Plaintiff is entitled to recover reasonable costs and attorney's fees from SBS in an amount to be determined by the Court pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1601(n).

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, Shmuel Weiss, an individual, demands judgment in his favor against Defendant, SBS, for damages together with attorney's fees and court costs pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1681(n).

SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Negligent Violation of the FCRA as to SBS.)

- 72. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs of this Complaint as though fully state herein with the same force and effect as if the same were set forth at length herein.
- 73. This is an action for negligent violation of the Fair Credit Reporting Act U.S.C. § 1681 *et seq.*,

- 74. Pursuant to the Act, all person who furnished information to reporting agencies must participate in re-investigations conducted by the agencies when consumers dispute the accuracy and completeness of information contained in a consumer credit report.
- 75. Pursuant to the Act, a furnisher of disputed information is notified by the reporting agency when the agency receives a notice of dispute from a consumer such as the Plaintiff. The furnisher must then conduct a timely investigation of the disputed information and review all relevant information provided by the agency.
- 76. The results of the investigation must be reported to the agency and, if the investigation reveals that the original information is incomplete or inaccurate, the information from a furnisher such as SBS must report the results to other agencies which were supplied such information.
- 77. After receiving the Dispute Notice from Experian, SBS as the agent for Keyspan negligently failed to conduct its reinvestigation in good faith.
- 78. A reasonable investigation would require a furnisher such as SBS to consider and evaluate a specific dispute by the consumer, along with all other facts, evidence and materials provided by the agency to the furnisher.
- 79. The conduct, action and inaction of Defendant SBS was negligent, entitling the Plaintiff to recover actual damages under 15 U.S.C. § 16810.
- 80. As a result of the conduct, action and inaction of SBS, the Plaintiff suffered damage for the loss of credit, loss of the ability to purchase and benefit from credit, and the mental and emotional pain, anguish, humiliation and embarrassment of credit denials.
- 81. The Plaintiff is entitled to recover reasonable costs and attorney's fees from SBS in an amount to be determined by the Court pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1601(n) and 16810.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, Shmuel Weiss, an individual, demands judgment in his favor against Defendant, SBS, for damages together with attorney's fees and court costs pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1681(n).

DEMAND FOR TRIAL BY JURY

82. Plaintiff demands and hereby respectfully requests a trial by jury for all claims and issues this complaint to which Plaintiff is or may be entitled to a jury trial.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff Shmuel Weiss, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated, demands judgment from the Defendants as follows:

1. Declaring that this action is properly maintainable as a Class Action and certifying Plaintiff as Class representative, and Daniel Kohn, Esq. as Class Counsel;

2. Awarding Plaintiff and the Class statutory damages;

3. Awarding Plaintiff and the Class actual damages;

4. Awarding Plaintiff costs of this Action, including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses;

5. Awarding pre-judgment interest and post-judgment interest; and

6. Awarding Plaintiff and the Class such other and further relief as this Court may deem just and proper.

Dated: April 30, 2018

/s/ Daniel Kohn

By: Daniel Kohn RC Law Group, PLLC 285 Passaic Street Hackensack, NJ 07601 Phone: (201) 282-6500 Fax: (201) 282-6501 Case 1:18-cv-02543 Document 1 Filed 04/30/18 Page 18 of 19 PageID #: 18

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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.)*

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Local Arbitration Rule 83.10 provides that with certain exceptions, actions seeking money damages only in an amount not in excess of \$150,000, exclusive of interest and costs, are eligible for compulsory arbitration. The amount of damages is presumed to be below the threshold amount unless a certification to the contrary is filed.

I, ______, counsel for_____, is ineligible for compulsory arbitration for the following reason(s):

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monetary damages sought are in excess of \$150,000, exclusive of interest and costs,

the complaint seeks injunctive relief,

the matter is otherwise ineligible for the following reason

DISCLOSURE STATEMENT - FEDERAL RULES CIVIL PROCEDURE 7.1

Identify any parent corporation and any publicly held corporation that owns 10% or more or its stocks:

RELATED CASE STATEMENT (Section VIII on the Front of this Form)

Please list all cases that are arguably related pursuant to Division of Business Rule 50.3.1 in Section VIII on the front of this form. Rule 50.3.1 (a) provides that "A civil case is "related" to another civil case for purposes of this guideline when, because of the similarity of facts and legal issues or because the cases arise from the same transactions or events, a substantial saving of judicial resources is likely to result from assigning both cases to the same judge and magistrate judge." Rule 50.3.1 (b) provides that "A civil case shall not be deemed "related" to another civil case merely because the civil case: (A) involves identical legal issues, or (B) involves the same parties." Rule 50.3.1 (c) further provides that "Presumptively, and subject to the power of a judge to determine otherwise pursuant to paragraph (d), civil cases shall not be deemed to be "related" unless both cases are still pending before the court."

NY-E DIVISION OF BUSINESS RULE 50.1(d)(2)

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AO 440 (Rev. 06/12) Summons in a Civil Action

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

Eastern District of New York

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Shmuel Weiss, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated;

Plaintiff(s)

v.

Keyspan Corporation, Stevens Business Service, Inc., Experian Information Solutions, Inc., and John Does 1-25,

Defendant(s)

SUMMONS IN A CIVIL ACTION

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To: (Defendant's name and address) Experian Information Solutions, Inc., c/o C T CORPORATION SYSTEM 111 8TH AVE NEW YORK, NY 10011-5201

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: Daniel Kohn

RC Law Group, PLLC 285 Passaic Street, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601 201-282-6500

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

Civil Action No. 1:18-cv-2543

Date:

Signature of Clerk or Deputy Clerk

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PROOF OF SERVICE

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	This summons for (na	ume of individual and title, if any)						
was rec	ceived by me on (date)								
	□ I personally served	d the summons on the indiv	vidual at (place)						
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	□ I left the summons at the individual's residence or usual place of abode with (<i>name</i>)								
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Additional information regarding attempted service, etc:

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Keyspan Corporation, Stevens Business Service, Inc., Experian Information Solutions, Inc., and John Does 1-25,

Defendant(s)

SUMMONS IN A CIVIL ACTION

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To: (Defendant's name and address) Keyspan Corporation c/o CORPORATION SERVICE COMPANY 80 STATE ST ALBANY, NY 12207-2541

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: Daniel Kohn

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CLERK OF COURT

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To: (Defendant's name and address) Stevens Business Service, Inc. 92 BOLT ST SUITE 1 LOWELL, MA 01852 US

A lawsuit has been filed against you.

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	, a person of suitable age and discretion who resides there,								
	on (date), and mailed a copy to the individual's last known address; or								
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