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12	KYREE WILSON, RHONDA GUERRERO, individually, and on behalf	Case No. 2:20-CV-09075
13	of other members of the general public	DEFENDANTS' NOTICE OF
14 15	similarly situated, Plaintiffs,	REMOVAL OF CIVIL ACTION TO FEDERAL COURT PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332, 1441, 1446 AND
16	V.	1453
17 18	IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC, an unknown business entity; IKEA US RETAIL LLC, an unknown business entity; IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES	[Concurrently filed with Civil Cover Sheet; Certification of Interested Parties and Disclosure Statements; Declaration of Christopher Blevins; and Notice of Related Case]
19	INC., an unknown business entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive;	Complaint Filed: June 4, 2020
20	Defendants.	
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	DEFENDANTS' NOTICE OF REMOVAL OF PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. §§ 1	

TO THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, AND TO PLAINTIFFS AND THEIR COUNSEL OF RECORD:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT defendants IKEA North America 4 5 Services, LLC ("IKEA North America"), IKEA US RETAIL LLC ("IKEA US RETAIL") and IKEA Distribution Services, Inc. ("IKEA Distribution") (collectively, 6 7 "Defendants") remove this action from the Superior Court of the State of California 8 for the County of Los Angeles, to the United States District Court for the Central 9 District of California pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332, 1441, 1446, and 1453. As discussed below, this Court has original jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to the 10 Class Action Fairness Act ("CAFA"). 11

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I.

PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND AND TIMELINESS OF REMOVAL

13 1. On or about August 24, 2020, Plaintiffs Kyree Wilson and Rhonda
 14 Guerrero ("Plaintiffs") filed their Class Action Complaint for Damages
 15 ("Complaint") in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los
 16 Angeles, entitled *Wilson v. IKEA North America Services, LLC*, Los Angeles
 17 Superior Court case number 20STCV32154 (the "State Court Action").

2. A true and correct copy of the Complaint is attached as **Exhibit A** to 18 this Notice of Removal. The Complaint alleges ten causes of action: (1)Violation of 19 20 California Labor Code §§ 510 and 1198 (Unpaid Overtime); (2) Violation of California Labor Code §§ 226.7 and 512(a) (Unpaid Meal Period Premiums); (3) 21 22 Violation of California Labor Code § 226.7 (Unpaid Rest Period Premiums); (4) Violation of California Labor Code §§ 1194 and 1197 (Unpaid Minimum Wages); 23 (5) Violation of California Labor Code §§ 201 and 202 (Final Wages Not Timely 24 Paid); (6) Violation of California Labor Code § 204 (Wages Not Timely Paid During) 25 Employment); (7) Violation of California Labor Code § 226(a) (Non-Compliant 26 Wage Statements); (8) Violation of California Labor Code § 1174(d) (Failure to 27 28 Keep Requisite Payroll Records); (9) Violation of California Labor Code §§ 2800 Case No. 2:20-CV-09075

and 2802 (Unreimbursed Business Expenses); (10) Violation of California Business
 & Professions Code § 17200, *et seq*.

3 3. On September 2, 2020, Plaintiffs served Defendants with a copy of the
Complaint, as well as other documents filed in the State Court Action. A true and
correct copy of the Summons to each of the Defendants is attached hereto as
Exhibits B, C and D. A true and correct copy of the other documents served by
Plaintiffs with the Complaint and Summons is attached hereto as Exhibit E.

8 4. Copies of all other process, pleadings, and orders served by Plaintiffs or
9 filed in Los Angeles Superior Court are attached hereto as Exhibit F.

5. Plaintiffs have not yet identified any of the fictitious "Doe" defendants
 identified in the Complaint and the citizenship of "Doe" defendants is disregarded
 for the purposes of removal. 28 U.S.C. § 1441(a); *McCabe v. Gen. Foods Corp.*, 811
 F.2d 1336, 1339 (9th Cir. 1987).

6. A defendant in a civil action has thirty (30) days from the date it is 14 15 served with a summons and complaint in which to remove the action to federal court. 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b); Murphy Bros., Inc. v. Michetti Pipe Stringing, Inc., 526 U.S. 16 344, 347-48 (1999). As Defendant's registered agent for service of process were 17 served with the summons and Complaint on September 6, 2019, this Notice of 18 19 Removal is timely. 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b), see Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(a)(1)(C); Fleming v. 20 United Teachers Assocs. Ins. Co., 250 F. Supp. 2d 658, 661 (S.D. W.Va. 2003) (removal petition was timely where 30th day after service fell on Thanksgiving and 21 22 removal petition was filed the following day); Johnson v. Harper, 66 F.R.D. 103 23 (E.D. Tenn. 1975) (removal was timely where 30th day after service fell on a Saturday and removal was filed the following Monday). 24

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II.

JURISDICTION UNDER THE CLASS ACTION FAIRNESS ACT

7. This action is one over which this Court has original jurisdiction under
CAFA and is one which may be removed by Defendant pursuant to 28 U.S.C.
§§ 1441 and 1453, because the number of potential class members exceeds 100, the
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parties are citizens of different states, and the amount in controversy exceeds the
 aggregate value of \$5,000,000. *See* 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332(d)(2) and (d)(6).¹

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A. <u>The Size of the Putative Class Exceeds 100 Members</u>

8. In their Complaint, Plaintiffs define the proposed class as follows: "All
current and former hourly-paid or non-exempt employees who worked for any of the
Defendants within the State of California at any time during the period from four
years preceding the filing of this Complaint to final judgment and who reside in
California." Ex. A, ¶ 16.

9 9. Defendants' employment records show that there are over five thousand
10 current and former employees of IKEA US RETAIL who fall within Plaintiffs'
11 proposed class. Declaration of Christopher Blevins ("Blevins Decl."), ¶ 3.

12 10. Accordingly, the CAFA numerosity requirement is fulfilled because
13 there are more than 100 class members implicated in Plaintiff's Complaint. 28
14 U.S.C. § 1332(d).

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B. <u>The Diversity of Citizenship Requirement is Satisfied</u>

16 11. The minimal diversity requirement of 28 U.S.C. § 1332(d) is met in this
action because the Court need only find that there is diversity between one putative
class member and one defendant. 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332(d)(2), 1332(d)(5)(B), 1453(a).

19 12. <u>Citizenship of Defendant IKEA Distribution Services Inc</u>. Pursuant to
20 28 United States Code § 1332(c), "a corporation shall be deemed to be a citizen of
21 any State by which it has been incorporated and of the State where it has its principal
22 place of business." The United States Supreme Court established the proper test for
23 determining a corporation's principal place of business for purposes of diversity
24 jurisdiction in *The Hertz Corp. v. Friend*, 130 S. Ct. 1181 (2010). The Supreme
25 Court concluded that the "principal place of business' is best read as referring to the

²⁷ ¹ Defendants are the only named defendants in this matter and, thus, there are no other defendants to consent to removal. Even so, an action may be removed by a single defendant under CAFA without the consent of the other defendants. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1453(a).

place where a corporation's officers direct, control, and coordinate the corporation's
 activities." *Id.* at 1184. The Court further clarified that the principal place of
 business is the place where the corporation "maintains its headquarters – provided
 that the headquarters is the actual center of direction, control, and coordination." *Id.*

5 13. IKEA Distribution is a Delaware Corporation with its principal place of
6 business in Conshohocken, Pennsylvania.

7 14. Thus, under 28 U.S.C. section 1332, IKEA Distribution is a citizen of
8 Delaware and Pennsylvania and is not a citizen of California.

9 15. <u>Citizenship of Defendants IKEA US RETAIL LLC and IKEA North</u>
10 <u>America Services, LLC</u>. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332(d)(10), "an unincorporated
11 association shall be deemed to be a citizen of the State where it has its principal
12 place of business and the State under whose laws it is organized."

13 16. IKEA US RETAIL is a Virginia limited liability company with its
14 principal place of business in Conshohocken, Pennsylvania.

15 17. IKEA North America is a Virginia limited liability company with its
16 principal place of business in Conshohocken, Pennsylvania.

17 18. Thus, under 28 U.S.C. section 1332, IKEA US RETAIL and IKEA
18 North America are citizens of Virginia and Pennsylvania and are not citizens of
19 California.

19. <u>Citizenship of Plaintiffs</u>. For diversity purposes, an individual is a
"citizen" of the state in which he is domiciled. *Kantor v. Wellesley Galleries, Ltd.*,
704 F.2d 1088, 1090 (9th Cir. 1983). An individual's domicile is the place he
resides with the intention to remain or to which he intends to return. *Kanter v. Warner-Lambert Co.*, 265 F.3d 853, 857 (9th Cir. 2001).

25 20. The Complaint alleges that "Plaintiff KYREE WILSON is an individual
26 residing in the State of California." Ex. A at ¶ 5. The Complaint also alleges that he
27 is a member of a "California-based" class, which is defined as "current and former
28 employees . . . who reside in California." Ex. A at ¶ 16. Likewise, Defendants'

employment records confirm that throughout his employment, Plaintiff Wilson
 provided a California home address. Blevins Decl., ¶ 4. Thus, Plaintiff Wilson is a
 citizen of the State of California and domiciled in California.

The Complaint alleges that "Plaintiff RHONDA GUERRERO is an 4 21. individual residing in the State of California." Ex. A at ¶ 6. The Complaint also 5 6 alleges that he is a member of a "California-based" class, which is defined as "current and former employees . . . who reside in California." Ex. A at ¶ 16. 7 Likewise, Defendants' employment records confirm that throughout her 8 9 employment, Plaintiff Guerrero provided a California home address. Blevins Decl., ¶ 4. Thus, Plaintiff Guerrero is a citizen of the State of California and domiciled in 10 California. 11

22. Members of the proposed class, who by definition are or were employed 12 in California, are presumed to be primarily citizens of the State of California. See, 13 *e.g.*, Lew v. Moss, 797 F.2d 747, 750 (9th Cir. 1986) ("place of employment" an 14 15 important factor weighing in favor of citizenship). Thus, even if both Plaintiffs were somehow citizens of Pennsylvania or Virginia (and there is no evidence that either 16 17 is), there is no possible way that the thousands of putative class members, all of whom worked in California (Ex. A, ¶ 16), were also citizens of Pennsylvania or 18 Virginia. 19

20 23. Accordingly, the minimal diversity requirement of 28 U.S.C. 1332(d) is
21 met in this action because Defendants and Plaintiffs are citizens of different states.

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C. <u>The Amount in Controversy Exceeds an Aggregate of \$5,000,000</u>

23 24. Plaintiff has not alleged a specific amount in controversy in the
24 Complaint. In order to remove a class action pursuant to CAFA, the amount in
25 controversy must exceed \$5,000,000, and it is the removing party's burden to
26 establish, "by a preponderance of evidence, that the aggregate amount in controversy
27 exceeds the jurisdictional minimum." *Rodriguez v. AT&T Mobility Servs. LLC*, 728
28 F.3d 975, 981 (9th Cir. 2013). To do so, the removing defendant must "produce

underlying facts showing only that it is *more likely than not* that the amount in
 controversy exceeds \$5,000,000.00, assuming the truth of the allegations plead in the
 Complaint." *Muniz v. Pilot Travel Ctrs. LLC*, No. 2007 WL 1302504, at *5 (E.D.
 Cal. May 1, 2007) (emphasis in original).

5 25. In considering the evidence submitted by the removing defendant, the 6 Court must "look beyond the complaint to determine whether the putative class 7 action meets the [amount in controversy] requirements" adding "the potential claims of the absent class members" and attorneys' fees. Rodriguez, 728 F.3d at 981 (citing 8 9 Standard Fire Ins. Co. v. Knowles, 133 S.Ct. 1345 (2013)); Guglielmino v. McKee Foods Corp., 506 F.3d 696, 705 (9th Cir. 2007). Furthermore, "[i]n considering 10 whether the amount in controversy is clear from the face of the complaint, a court 11 12 must assume that the allegations of the complaint are true and that a jury will return a verdict for the plaintiff on all claims made in the complaint." Altamirano v. Shaw 13 Indus., Inc., 2013 WL 2950600, at *4 (N.D. Cal. June 14, 2013) (citing Korn v. Polo 14 Ralph Lauren Corp., 536 F. Supp. 2d 1199, 1205 (E.D. Cal. 2008)); see also Muniz, 15 2007 WL 1302504, at *3. 16

26. While Defendant denies the validity of Plaintiff's claims and requests
for relief, and does not concede in any way that the allegations in the Complaint are
accurate, that Plaintiff's claims are amenable to classwide treatment, or that Plaintiff
or the purported class are entitled to any of the requested relief, the allegations in the
Complaint show it is more likely than not that the amount in controversy exceeds the
jurisdictional minimum. *See Guglielmino*, 506 F.3d at 700.

27. In determining the amount in controversy to support its Notice of
Removal, Defendant relies here on a conservative estimate of the amount in
controversy based on damages and attorneys' fees sought by Plaintiff as a result of
the alleged: (1) unpaid overtime; (2) unpaid meal break premiums; and (3) unpaid
minimum wage.

1. <u>The Amount Placed in Controversy by Plaintiff's Unpaid</u> <u>Overtime Claim Exceeds \$6,030,000</u>

28. In their First Cause of Action, Plaintiffs allege, "During the relevant time period set forth herein, Defendants intentionally and willfully failed to pay overtime wages owed to Plaintiffs and other class members." Ex. A, ¶ 57. Plaintiffs also allege that "Defendants engaged in a pattern and practice of wage abuse against their hourly-paid or non-exempt employees in the State of California" and the "pattern and practice involved . . . failing to pay them for all . . . overtime wages earned[.]" Ex. A, ¶ 29. Finally, Plaintiffs allege that Defendants have "policies and practices of requiring employees, including Plaintiffs and the other class members, to work overtime without paying them proper compensation[.]" Ex. A, ¶ 118.

29. Labor Code Section 1194(a) provides: "Notwithstanding any agreement to work for a lesser wage, any employee receiving less than . . . the legal overtime compensation applicable to the employee is entitled to recover in a civil action the unpaid balance of the full amount of this . . . overtime compensation, including interest thereon, reasonable attorney's fees, and costs of suit."

30. Plaintiffs also allege that the unpaid overtime constitutes unfair competition within the meaning of the UCL (Ex. A, ¶¶ 118, 119) and therefore applicable statute of limitations for the unpaid overtime claim is four years. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17208 ("Any action to enforce any cause of action pursuant to this chapter shall be commenced within four years after the cause of action accrued"); *Cortez v. Purolator Air Filtration Prods. Co.*, 23 Cal. 4th 163, 178-179 (2000) (the four-year statute of limitations applies to any UCL claim, notwithstanding that the underlying claims have shorter statutes of limitation).

31. Based on Defendants' records, the minimum number of putative class members at IKEA US RETAIL during the period from January 1, 2017, through December 31, 2019 is 5,000 and they worked at least 360,000 workweeks during that same period. Blevins Decl., ¶ 3. During 2017, the minimum wage rate in California

1 was \$10.50, it rose to \$11.00 in 2018, and to \$12.00 in 2019. IWC MW-2019,

Minimum Wage Order. Therefore, Defendant reasonably assumes that the overtime
rate for putative class members in 2017 was at least \$15.75, \$16.50 in 2018 and
\$18.00 in 2019.

5 32. Defendants' conservative calculation of the amount in controversy for
6 Plaintiffs' unpaid overtime claim is \$6,030,000, calculated as follows:

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Year	Overtime Rate	Workweeks	AIC
2017	\$15.75	120,000	\$1,890,000.00
2018	\$16.50	120,000	\$1,980,000.00
2019	\$18.00	120,000	\$2,160,000.00

33. The above computation of the amount in controversy is based on
conservative estimates that there was an average of one hour of unpaid overtime
premium unpaid in 360,000 workweeks by putative class members during the class
period and that their pay rates were at least the applicable minimum wage.
Blevins Decl., ¶ 3.

18 Defendants' estimate of one unpaid hour of overtime during just a portion 34. 19 of the workweeks for a portion of the class during a portion of the putative class period 20 is reasonable because an estimate of one hour of unpaid overtime for every week of 21 work for every employee during a putative class period has been accepted by the 22 federal courts as a reasonable and conservative figure for calculating the amount in 23 controversy. See Jasso v. Money Mart Express, Inc., 2012 WL 699465, at *5-6 (N. D. 24 Cal. Mar. 1, 2012) (holding that calculating at least one violation per week was a 25 "sensible reading of the alleged amount in controversy"); Ray v. Wells Fargo Bank, 26 *N.A.*, 2011 WL 1790123, at *6-7 (C.D. Cal. May 9, 2011). This is especially the case 27 where, as here, Plaintiffs fail to provide specific allegations concerning the frequency 28 of which he worked overtime without being provided the requisite compensation. See Case No. 2:20-CV-09075

Byrd v. Masonite Corp., 2016 WL 2593912, at *5 (C.D. Cal. May 5, 2016).

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2. <u>The Amount Placed in Controversy by Plaintiffs' Meal Break</u> <u>Claims Exceeds \$4,020,000</u>

35. In their Second Cause of Action, Plaintiffs allege that they "and the 4 5 other class members . . . were required to work for periods longer than five (5) hours 6 without an uninterrupted meal period of not less than thirty (30) minutes," that they 7 were also required to work more than six hours without meal periods, and that 8 "Defendants intentionally and willfully required Plaintiffs and other class members 9 to work during meal periods," and that Defendants did not pay meal period premiums. Ex. A, ¶ 65-67. Plaintiffs allege that Defendants had "policies and 10 practices" requiring Plaintiffs and the putative class members to work during their 11 12 meal periods. Ex. A, ¶ 118. Plaintiffs allege that this is a "pattern and practice of 13 wage abuse" that "involved . . . failing to pay [putative class members] for all . . . missed meal periods." Ex. A, ¶ 29. 14

15 36. Under California law, employees who miss meal periods are entitled to one hour of premium pay for each day that a meal or a rest period is missed. See 16 17 Marlo v. United Parcel Serv., Inc., 2009 WL 1258491, at *7 (C.D. Cal. May 5, 18 2009). Meal period claims are properly considered in determining the amount in controversy. See, e.g., Muniz, 2007 WL 1302504, at *4; Helm v. Alderwoods Grp., 19 20Inc., 008 WL 2002511, at *8 (N.D. Cal. May 7, 2008). Plaintiffs also allege that the failure to pay meal break premiums constitutes unfair competition within the 21 22 meaning of the UCL (Ex. A, ¶ 118) and therefore applicable statute of limitations for 23 the meal break claim is four years. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17208.

37. Based on Defendants' records, the minimum number of putative class
members at IKEA US RETAIL during the period from January 1, 2017, through
December 31, 2019 is 5,000 and they worked at least 360,000 workweeks during that
same period. Blevins Decl., ¶ 3. During 2017, the minimum wage rate in California
was \$10.50, it rose to \$11.00 in 2018, and to \$12.00 in 2019.

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38. Defendants' conservative calculation of the amount in controversy for
 Plaintiffs' meal break claims is \$4,020,000 calculated as follows:

Y	'ear	Minimum Wage Rate	Workweeks	AIC
2	017	\$10.50	120,000	\$1,260,000.00
2	018	\$11.00	120,000	\$1,320,000.00
2	019	\$18.00	120,000	\$1,440,000.00

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39. The computation of the amount in controversy is based on conservative estimate of just one meal break violation in each of the 360,000 workweeks and that putative class members earned at least the applicable minimum wage.

12 Defendants' estimate of one meal break premium during just a portion 40. 13 of the workweeks for a portion of the class during a portion of the putative class 14 period is reasonable because a violation rate of one meal break violation per 15 workweek for every putative class member for every workweek during a putative 16 class action period is generally accepted as a reasonable and conservative assumption 17 when calculation the amount in controversy for CAFA purposes. See, e.g., Mendoza 18 v. Savage Servs. Corp., 2019 WL 1260629, at *2 (C.D. Cal. Mar. 19, 2019) (holding 19 in a case involving the same Plaintiff's counsel that "courts in [the Central District] 20 routinely apply a 20% violation rate—that is, one missed mean and rest period per 21 work week—for meal and rest period premiums"); *Mortley v. Express Pipe & Supply* 22 Co., 2018 WL 708115, at *4 (C.D. Cal. Feb. 5, 2018) (finding defendants 23 assumption that class members missed two meal periods and two rest periods each 24 per week based on allegations of "a company-wide policy and/or practice of 25 understaffing" was reasonable); Stanley v. Distribution Alts., Inc., 2017 WL 26 6209822, at *2 (C.D. Cal. Dec. 7, 2017) (accepting assumed violation rates of "three 27 missed rest breaks, and three missed meal breaks per week" where the complaint 28 offered no guidance as to the frequency of the alleged violations); Alvarez v. Office Case No. 2:20-CV-09075 DEFENDANTS' NOTICE OF REMOVAL OF CIVIL ACTION TO FEDERAL CO

Depot, Inc., 2017 WL 5952181, at *3 (C.D. Cal. Nov. 30, 2017) (finding 60% 1 2 violation rate reasonable where the complaint "alleges a uniform practice of meal and rest period violations."); Francisco v. Emeritus Corp., 2017 WL 2541401, at *6 3 (C.D. Cal. June 12, 2017) (finding defendants' estimation of one violation per work 4 5 week for both meal and rest breaks reasonable and conservative because plaintiff alleged violations occurred as "a pattern and practice"); Byrd v. Masonite Corp., 6 2016 WL 2593912, at *5 (C.D. Cal. May 5, 2016) (court found defendant's 7 8 assumption that each putative class member missed one meal break and one rest 9 period per workweek based on policy and practice allegations reasonable).

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3. <u>The Amount Placed in Controversy by Plaintiffs' Unpaid</u> <u>Minimum Wage Claim Exceeds \$8,040,000</u>

41. In their Fourth Cause of Action, Plaintiffs allege "Defendants failed to
pay minimum wages to Plaintiff and other class members as required[.]" Ex. A, ¶
82. They seek to recover the unpaid minimum wage and "liquidated damages in an
amount equal to the wages unlawfully unpaid[.]" Ex. A, ¶¶ 85. Plaintiffs allege that
the failure to pay minimum wage is part of a "pattern and practice of wage abuse"
and that Defendant have "policies and practices of failing to pay minimum wage."
Ex. A, ¶¶ 29, 118.

19 42. Labor Code section 1194(a) provides: "Notwithstanding any agreement to work for a lesser wage, any employee receiving less than the legal minimum wage 20... is entitled to recover in a civil action the unpaid balance of the full amount of 21 22 this minimum wage ..., including interest thereon, reasonable attorney's fees, and costs of suit." Labor Code section 1194.2 provides that in any action "to recover 23 wages because of the payment of a wage less than the minimum wage ... an 24 employee shall be entitled to recover liquidated damages in an amount equal to the 25 wages unlawfully unpaid[.]" 26

27 43. Plaintiffs also allege that the failure to pay minimum wage constitutes
28 unfair competition within the meaning of the UCL (Ex. A, ¶ 118) and therefore

applicable statute of limitations for the minimum wage claim is four years. Bus. &
 Prof. Code § 17208.

44. Based on Defendants' records, the minimum number of putative class
members at IKEA US RETAIL during the period from January 1, 2017, through
December 31, 2019 is 5,000 and they worked at least 360,000 workweeks during that
same period. Blevins Decl., ¶ 3. During 2017, the minimum wage rate in California
was \$10.50, it rose to \$11.00 in 2018, and to \$12.00 in 2019.

8 45. Defendant's conservative calculation of the amount in controversy for
9 Plaintiff's unpaid minimum wage claim is \$8,040,000, which includes \$4,020,000 in
10 unpaid minimum wages and \$4,020,000 in liquidated damages, calculated as
11 follows:

Year	Minimum Wage Rate	Workweeks	AIC
2017	\$10.50	120,000	\$2,520,000.00
2018	\$11.00	120,000	\$2,640,000.00
2019	\$18.00	120,000	\$2,880,000.00

46. The computation of the amount in controversy is based on conservative
estimate of just one hour of unpaid overtime on average during the 360,000
workweeks and that putative class members earned at least the applicable minimum
wage. Defendants' estimate of one unpaid hour of minimum wage in controversy
during just a portion of the workweeks for a portion of the class during a portion of
the putative class period is reasonable and conservative.

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4. <u>Attorneys' Fees</u>

47. Plaintiffs seek to recover attorneys' fees on behalf of the putative class
on their claims for unpaid overtime, unpaid minimum wage and meal break
violations. Ex. A, ¶¶ 59, 83, 121; Prayer for Relief ¶ 8, 15, 27, 56. Attorneys' fees
may properly be included in determining the amount in controversy. *See, e.g.*,

Lowdermilk v. US Bank Nat'l Assoc., 479 F.3d 994, 1000 (9th Cir. 2007) (holding
 that statutorily-mandated attorneys' fees are properly included in the amount in
 controversy for CAFA jurisdiction purposes).

48. For class actions, 25% of the common fund is a benchmark rate for 4 attorneys' fees in this Circuit. Hanlon v. Chrysler Corp., 150 F.3d 1011, 1029 (9th 5 Cir. 1998) ("This circuit has established 25% of the common fund as a benchmark 6 7 award for attorney fees"); see also Giannini v. Northwestern Mut. Life Ins. Co., 2012 WL 1535196, at *4 (N.D. Cal. 2012) (holding that defendant's inclusion of 8 9 attorneys' fees to satisfy amount in controversy was reasonable where defendants "base this amount by multiplying by twenty-five percent the sum of the amounts 10 placed in controversy by the four claims" asserted by plaintiff.). 11

- 49. Twenty-five percent of the total potential award for just three years of
 the overtime, unpaid minimum wage and meal break penalty claims outlined above
 is \$4,522,500.
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5. <u>Summary of the Amount Placed In Controversy</u>

50. As described above, a reasonable and conservative estimate of the
amount placed in controversy by Plaintiffs' claims for unpaid overtime, meal break
premiums, and unpaid minimum wages exceeds \$5,000,000.

Claim	Amount in
	Controversy
Unpaid Overtime Claim	\$6,030,000
Meal Break Claim	\$4,020,000
Unpaid Minimum Wage Claim	\$8,040,000
Attorneys' Fees	\$4,522,500
Total	\$22,612,500

51. Consequently, the amount placed in controversy by Plaintiff's claims

1 exceeds the \$5,000,000 jurisdictional threshold of 28 U.S.C. § 1332(d).

III. THE PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS OF 28 U.S.C. § 1146 ARE SATISFIED

52. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. §1446(a), this Notice of Removal is filed in the District in which the action is pending. The Los Angeles County Superior Court is located within the Central District of California. Therefore, venue is proper in this Court because it is the "district and division embracing the place where such action is pending." 28 U.S.C. § 1441(a).

53. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. §1446(a), copies of all process, pleadings, and orders served upon Defendant are attached as Exhibits to this Notice.

54. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. §1446(d), a copy of this Notice is being served upon counsel for Plaintiffs, and a notice will be filed with the Clerk of the Superior Court of California for the County of Los Angeles. Notice of compliance shall be filed promptly afterwards with this Court.

55. As required by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 7.1 and Local Rule 7.1-1, Defendants concurrently filed their Certificate of Interested Parties.

WHEREFORE, Defendants removes the above-captioned action to the United States District Court for the Central District of California.

DATED: October 2, 2020

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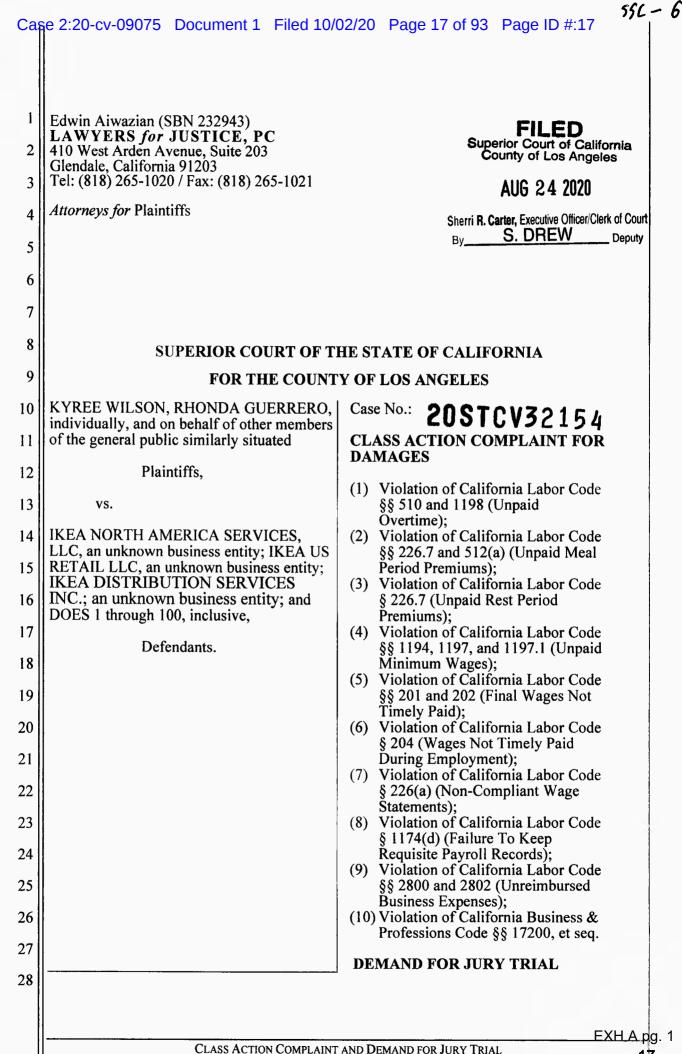
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15Case No. 2:20-CV-09075DEFENDANTS' NOTICE OF REMOVAL OF CIVIL ACTION TO FEDERAL COURT
PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332, 1441, 1446 AND 1453

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EXHIBIT A



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COMES NOW, Plaintiffs KYREE WILSON ("Plaintiff WILSON"), and RHONDA
 GUERRERO ("Plaintiff GUERRERO" and collectively with Plaintiff WILSON as
 "Plaintiffs"), individually, and on behalf of other members of the general public similarly
 situated, and alleges as follows:

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

1. This class action is brought pursuant to the California Code of Civil Procedure
section 382. The monetary damages and restitution sought by Plaintiffs exceeds the minimal
jurisdiction limits of the Superior Court and will be established according to proof at trial. The
"amount in controversy" for the named Plaintiffs, including but not limited to claims for
compensatory damages, restitution, penalties, wages, premium pay, and pro rata share of
attorneys' fees, is less than seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000).

This Court has jurisdiction over this action pursuant to the California
 Constitution, Article VI, Section 10, which grants the superior court "original jurisdiction in all
 other causes" except those given by statute to other courts. The statutes under which this
 action is brought do not specify any other basis for jurisdiction.

3. This Court has jurisdiction over Defendants because, upon information and
belief, Defendants are citizens of California, have sufficient minimum contacts in California,
or otherwise intentionally avail themselves of the California market so as to render the exercise
of jurisdiction over them by California courts consistent with traditional notions of fair play
and substantial justice.

4. Venue is proper in this Court because, upon information and belief, Defendants
maintai offices, have agents, employs individuals, and/or transact business in the State of
California, County of Los Angeles. The majority of acts and omissions alleged herein relating to
Plaintiffs and the other class members took place in the State of California, including the County
of Los Angeles.

PARTIES

27 5. Plaintiff KYREE WILSON is an individual residing in the State of California,
28 County of Los Angeles.

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6. Plaintiff RHONDA GUERRERO is an individual residing in the State of
 California, County of Los Angeles.

7. Defendant IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC, at all times herein
mentioned, was and is, upon information and belief, an employer whose employees are
engaged throughout the State of California, including the County of Los Angeles.

8. Defendant IKEA US RETAIL LLC, at all times herein mentioned, was and
is, upon information and belief, an employer whose employees are engaged throughout the
8 State of California, including the County of Los Angeles.

9 9. Defendant IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES INC., at all times herein
10 mentioned, was and is, upon information and belief, an employer whose employees are engaged
11 throughout the State of California, including the County of Los Angeles.

12 10. At all relevant times, Defendants IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC,
 13 IKEA US RETAIL LLC, and IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES INC. were the "employer" of
 14 Plaintiffs within the meaning of all applicable California laws and statutes.

15 11. At all times herein relevant, Defendants IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES. 16 LLC, IKEA US RETAIL LLC, IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES INC., and DOES 1 through 17 100, and each of them, were the agents, partners, joint venturers, joint employers, 18 representatives, servants, employees, successors-in-interest, co-conspirators and/or assigns, 19 each of the other, and at all times relevant hereto were acting within the course and scope of 20 their authority as such agents, partners, joint venturers, joint employers, representatives, 21 servants, employees, successors, co-conspirators and/or assigns, and all acts or omissions 22 alleged herein were duly committed with the ratification, knowledge, permission, 23 encouragement, authorization and/or consent of each defendant designated as a DOE herein. 24 12. The true names and capacities, whether corporate, associate, individual or 25 otherwise, of defendants DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, are unknown to Plaintiffs who sue

26 said defendants by such fictitious names. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and based on

28 || responsible for the events and happenings referred to in this Complaint, and unlawfully caused

that information and belief allege, that each of the defendants designated as a DOE is legally

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the injuries and damages to Plaintiffs and the other class members as alleged in this Complaint.
 Plaintiffs will seek leave of court to amend this Complaint to show the true names and
 capacities when the same have been ascertained.

4 13. Defendants IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC, IKEA US RETAIL
5 LLC, IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES INC., and DOES 1 through 100 will hereinafter
6 collectively be referred to as "Defendants."

7 14. Plaintiffs further allege that Defendants directly or indirectly controlled or
8 affected the working conditions, wages, working hours, and conditions of employment of
9 Plaintiffs and the other class members so as to make each of said Defendants employers liable
10 under the statutory provisions set forth herein.

CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS

15. Plaintiffs bring this action on their own behalf and on behalf of all other members of the general public similarly situated, and, thus, seeks class certification under California Code of Civil Procedure section 382.

16. The proposed class is defined as follows:

All current and former hourly-paid or non-exempt employees who worked for any of the Defendants within the State of California at any time during the period from four years preceding the filing of this Complaint to final judgment and who reside in California.

17. Plaintiffs reserve the right to establish subclasses as appropriate.

18. The class is ascertainable and there is a well-defined community of interest in the litigation:

a. <u>Numerosity</u>: The class members are so numerous that joinder of all class members is impracticable. The membership of the entire class is unknown to Plaintiffs at this time; however, the class is estimated to be greater than fifty (50) individuals and the identity of such membership is readily ascertainable by inspection of Defendants' employment records.

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b. <u>Typicality</u>: Plaintiffs' claims are typical of all other class members' as demonstrated herein. Plaintiffs will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the other class members with whom they have a well-defined community of interest.

c. <u>Adequacy</u>: Plaintiffs will fairly and adequately protect the interests of each class member, with whom they have a well-defined community of interest and typicality of claims, as demonstrated herein. Plaintiffs have no interest that is antagonistic to the other class members. Plaintiffs' attorneys, the proposed class counsel, are versed in the rules governing class action discovery, certification, and settlement. Plaintiffs have incurred, and during the pendency of this action will continue to incur, costs and attorneys' fees, that have been, are, and will be necessarily expended for the prosecution of this action for the substantial benefit of each class member.

d. <u>Superiority</u>: A class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this litigation because individual joinder of all class members is impractical.

e. <u>Public Policy Considerations</u>: Certification of this lawsuit as a class action will advance public policy objectives. Employers of this great state violate employment and labor laws every day. Current employees are often afraid to assert their rights out of fear of direct or indirect retaliation. However, class actions provide the class members who are not named in the complaint anonymity that allows for the vindication of their rights.

19. There are common questions of law and fact as to the class members that
predominate over questions affecting only individual members. The following common
questions of law or fact, among others, exist as to the members of the class:

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a. Whether Defendants' failure to pay wages, without abatement or reduction, in accordance with the California Labor Code, was willful;
b. Whether Defendants' had a corporate policy and practice of failing to pay their hourly-paid or non-exempt employees within the State of California for all hours worked and missed (short, late, interrupted, and/or missed altogether) meal periods and rest breaks in violation of California law;

c. Whether Defendants required Plaintiffs and the other class members to work over eight (8) hours per day and/or over forty (40) hours per week and failed to pay the legally required overtime compensation to Plaintiffs and the other class members;

 d. Whether Defendants deprived Plaintiffs and the other class members of meal and/or rest periods or required Plaintiffs and the other class members to work during meal and/or rest periods without compensation;

- e. Whether Defendants failed to pay minimum wages to Plaintiffs and the other class members for all hours worked;
- f. Whether Defendants failed to pay all wages due to Plaintiffs and the other class members within the required time upon their discharge or resignation;
- g. Whether Defendants failed to timely pay all wages due to Plaintiffs and the other class members during their employment;
- h. Whether Defendants complied with wage reporting as required by the California Labor Code; including, *inter alia*, section 226;
- Whether Defendants kept complete and accurate payroll records as required by the California Labor Code, including, *inter alia*, section 1174(d);

j. Whether Defendants failed to reimburse Plaintiffs and the other class members for necessary business-related expenses and costs;

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k. Whether Defendants' conduct was willful or reckless;

- Whether Defendants engaged in unfair business practices in violation of California Business & Professions Code section 17200, et seq.;
- m. The appropriate amount of damages, restitution, and/or monetary penalties resulting from Defendants' violation of California law; and
- whether Plaintiffs and the other class members are entitled to compensatory damages pursuant to the California Labor Code.

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

9 20. At all relevant times set forth herein, Defendants employed Plaintiffs and other
10 persons as hourly-paid or non-exempt employees within the State of California, including the
11 County of Los Angeles.

12 21. Defendants, jointly and severally, employed Plaintiff WILSON as an hourly13 paid, non-exempt employee, from approximately May 2019 to approximately September 2019,
14 in the State of California, County of Los Angeles.

15 22. Defendants, jointly and severally, employed Plaintiff GUERRERO as an hourly16 paid, non-exempt employee, from approximately November 2018 to approximately November
17 2019, in the State of California, County of Los Angeles [if same as venue].

18 23. Defendants hired Plaintiffs and the other class members, classified them as
19 hourly-paid or non-exempt employees, and failed to compensate them for all hours worked and
20 missed meal periods and/or rest breaks.

21 24. Defendants had the authority to hire and terminate Plaintiffs and the other class
22 members, to set work rules and conditions governing Plaintiffs' and the other class members'
23 employment, and to supervise their daily employment activities.

24 25. Defendants exercised sufficient authority over the terms and conditions of
25 Plaintiffs' and the other class members' employment for them to be joint employers of
26 Plaintiffs and the other class members.

27 26. Defendants directly hired and paid wages and benefits to Plaintiffs and the other
28 class members.

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1 27. Defendants continue to employ hourly-paid or non-exempt employees within the 2 State of California.

3 28. Plaintiffs and the other class members worked over eight (8) hours in a day. 4 and/or forty (40) hours in a week during their employment with Defendants.

5 29. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and based thereon allege, that Defendants 6 engaged in a pattern and practice of wage abuse against their hourly-paid or non-exempt 7 employees within the State of California. This pattern and practice involved, inter alia, failing 8 to pay them for all regular and/or overtime wages earned and for missed meal periods and rest 9 breaks in violation of California law.

10 30. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and based thereon allege, that Defendants 11 knew or should have known that Plaintiffs and the other class members were entitled to receive 12 certain wages for overtime compensation and that they were not receiving accurate overtime 13 compensation for all overtime hours worked.

14 31. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and based thereon allege, that Defendants 15 failed to provide Plaintiffs and the other class members all required rest and meal periods 16 during the relevant time period as required under the Industrial Welfare Commission Wage 17 Orders and thus they are entitled to any and all applicable penalties.

18 32. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and based thereon allege, that Defendants 19 knew or should have known that Plaintiffs and the other class members were entitled to receive 20 all meal periods or payment of one additional hour of pay at Plaintiffs' and the other class 21 member's regular rate of pay when a meal period was missed, and they did not receive all meal 22 periods or payment of one additional hour of pay at Plaintiffs' and the other class member's 23 regular rate of pay when a meal period was missed.

24 33. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and based thereon allege, that Defendants 25 knew or should have known that Plaintiffs and the other class members were entitled to receive 26 all rest periods or payment of one additional hour of pay at Plaintiffs' and the other class 27 member's regular rate of pay when a rest period was missed, and they did not receive all rest 28 ///

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periods or payment of one additional hour of pay at Plaintiffs' and the other class members' 1 2 regular rate of pay when a rest period was missed.

3 34. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and based thereon allege, that Defendants knew or should have known that Plaintiffs and the other class members were entitled to receive 4 5 at least minimum wages for compensation and that they were not receiving at least minimum 6 wages for all hours worked.

7 35. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and based thereon allege, that Defendants 8 knew or should have known that Plaintiffs and the other class members were entitled to receive 9 all wages owed to them upon discharge or resignation, including overtime and minimum wages and meal and rest period premiums, and they did not, in fact, receive all such wages owed to 10 11 them at the time of their discharge or resignation.

12 36. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and based thereon allege, that Defendants 13 knew or should have known that Plaintiffs and the other class members were entitled to receive 14 all wages owed to them during their employment. Plaintiffs and the other class members did 15 not receive payment of all wages, including overtime and minimum wages and meal and rest 16 period premiums, within any time permissible under California Labor Code section 204.

17 37. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and based thereon allege, that Defendants 18 knew or should have known that Plaintiffs and the other class members were entitled to receive 19 complete and accurate wage statements in accordance with California law, but, in fact, they did 20 not receive complete and accurate wage statements from Defendants. The deficiencies 21 included, inter alia, the failure to include the total number of hours worked by Plaintiffs and 22 the other class members.

23 38. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and based thereon allege, that Defendants 24 knew or should have known that Defendants had to keep complete and accurate payroll records for Plaintiffs and the other class members in accordance with California law, but, in fact, did 25 26 not keep complete and accurate payroll records.

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39. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and based thereon allege, that Defendants
 knew or should have known that Plaintiffs and the other class members were entitled to
 reimbursement for necessary business-related expenses.

4 40. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and based thereon allege, that Defendants
5 knew or should have known that they had a duty to compensate Plaintiffs and the other class
6 members pursuant to California law, and that Defendants had the financial ability to pay such
7 compensation, but willfully, knowingly, and intentionally failed to do so, and falsely
8 represented to Plaintiffs and the other class members that they were properly denied wages, all
9 in order to increase Defendants' profits.

10 41. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to pay overtime wages to
11 Plaintiffs and the other class members for all overtime hours worked. Plaintiffs and the other
12 class members were required to work more than eight (8) hours per day and/or forty (40) hours
13 per week without overtime compensation for all overtime hours worked.

42. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to provide all requisite uninterrupted meal and rest periods to Plaintiffs and the other class members.

43. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to pay Plaintiffs and the other class members at least minimum wages for all hours worked.

44. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to pay Plaintiffs and the other
class members all wages owed to them upon discharge or resignation.

45. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to pay Plaintiffs and the other
class members all wages within any time permissible under California law, including, *inter alia*, California Labor Code section 204.

46. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to provide complete or
accurate wage statements to Plaintiffs and the other class members.

25 47. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to keep complete or accurate
26 payroll records for Plaintiffs and the other class members.

48. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to reimburse Plaintiffs and
the other class members for all necessary business-related expenses and costs.

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49. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to properly compensate
 Plaintiffs and the other class members pursuant to California law in order to increase
 Defendants' profits.

50. California Labor Code section 218 states that nothing in Article 1 of the Labor
Code shall limit the right of any wage claimant to "sue directly . . . for any wages or penalty
due to him [or her] under this article."

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

(Violation of California Labor Code §§ 510 and 1198)

(Against IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC, IKEA US RETAIL LLC, IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES INC., and DOES 1 through 100)

51. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 50, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set forth herein.

S2. California Labor Code section 1198 and the applicable Industrial Welfare
Commission ("IWC") Wage Order provide that it is unlawful to employ persons without
compensating them at a rate of pay either time-and-one-half or two-times that person's regular
rate of pay, depending on the number of hours worked by the person on a daily or weekly
basis.

19 53. Specifically, the applicable IWC Wage Order provides that Defendants are and
20 were required to pay Plaintiffs and the other class members employed by Defendants, and
21 working more than eight (8) hours in a day or more than forty (40) hours in a workweek, at the
22 rate of time-and-one-half for all hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours in a day or more
23 than forty (40) hours in a workweek.

54. The applicable IWC Wage Order further provides that Defendants are and were
required to pay Plaintiffs and the other class members overtime compensation at a rate of two
times their regular rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of twelve (12) hours in a day.

27 55. California Labor Code section 510 codifies the right to overtime compensation
28 at one-and-one-half times the regular hourly rate for hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours

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1 in a day or forty (40) hours in a week or for the first eight (8) hours worked on the seventh day 2 of work, and to overtime compensation at twice the regular hourly rate for hours worked in 3 excess of twelve (12) hours in a day or in excess of eight (8) hours in a day on the seventh day 4 of work.

5 56. During the relevant time period, Plaintiffs and the other class members worked in excess of eight (8) hours in a day, and/or in excess of forty (40) hours in a week. 6

7 57. During the relevant time period, Defendants intentionally and willfully failed to 8 pay overtime wages owed to Plaintiffs and the other class members.

9 58. Defendants' failure to pay Plaintiffs and the other class members the unpaid balance of overtime compensation, as required by California laws, violates the provisions of 10 11 California Labor Code sections 510 and 1198, and is therefore unlawful.

12 59. Pursuant to California Labor Code section 1194, Plaintiffs and the other class 13 members are entitled to recover unpaid overtime compensation, as well as interest, costs, and 14 attorneys' fees.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

(Violation of California Labor Code §§ 226.7 and 512(a))

(Against IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC, IKEA US RETAIL LLC,

IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES INC., and DOES 1 through 100)

19 60. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 20 through 59, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set 21 forth herein.

22 61. At all relevant times, the IWC Order and California Labor Code sections 226.7 23 and 512(a) were applicable to Plaintiffs' and the other class members' employment by Defendants. 24

25 62. At all relevant times, California Labor Code section 226.7 provides that no 26 employer shall require an employee to work during any meal or rest period mandated by an 27 applicable order of the California IWC.

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At all relevant times, the applicable IWC Wage Order and California Labor
 Code section 512(a) provide that an employer may not require, cause or permit an employee to
 work for a work period of more than five (5) hours per day without providing the employee
 with a meal period of not less than thirty (30) minutes, except that if the total work period per
 day of the employee is no more than six (6) hours, the meal period may be waived by mutual
 consent of both the employer and employee.

64. At all relevant times, the applicable IWC Wage Order and California Labor
Code section 512(a) further provide that an employer may not require, cause or permit an
employee to work for a work period of more than ten (10) hours per day without providing the
employee with a second uninterrupted meal period of not less than thirty (30) minutes, except
that if the total hours worked is no more than twelve (12) hours, the second meal period may
be waived by mutual consent of the employer and the employee only if the first meal period
was not waived.

14 65. During the relevant time period, Plaintiffs and the other class members who
15 were scheduled to work for a period of time no longer than six (6) hours, and who did not
16 waive their legally-mandated meal periods by mutual consent, were required to work for
17 periods longer than five (5) hours without an uninterrupted meal period of not less than thirty
18 (30) minutes and/or rest period.

19 66. During the relevant time period, Plaintiffs and the other class members who
20 were scheduled to work for a period of time in excess of six (6) hours were required to work
21 for periods longer than five (5) hours without an uninterrupted meal period of not less than
22 thirty (30) minutes and/or rest period.

23 67. During the relevant time period, Defendants intentionally and willfully required
24 Plaintiffs and the other class members to work during meal periods and failed to compensate
25 Plaintiffs and the other class members the full meal period premium for work performed during
26 meal periods.

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68. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to pay Plaintiffs and the other
 class members the full meal period premium due pursuant to California Labor Code section
 226.7.

4 69. Defendants' conduct violates applicable IWC Wage Order and California Labor
5 Code sections 226.7 and 512(a).

70. Pursuant to applicable IWC Wage Order and California Labor Code section
226.7(c), Plaintiffs and the other class members are entitled to recover from Defendants one
additional hour of pay at the employee's regular rate of compensation for each work day that
the meal or rest period is not provided.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

(Violation of California Labor Code § 226.7)

(Against IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC, IKEA US RETAIL LLC, IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES INC., and DOES 1 through 100)

14 71. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1
15 through 70, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set
16 forth herein.

17 72. At all times herein set forth, the applicable IWC Wage Order and California
18 Labor Code section 226.7 were applicable to Plaintiffs' and the other class members'
19 employment by Defendants.

20 73. At all relevant times, California Labor Code section 226.7 provides that no
21 employer shall require an employee to work during any rest period mandated by an applicable
22 order of the California IWC.

74. At all relevant times, the applicable IWC Wage Order provides that "[e]very
employer shall authorize and permit all employees to take rest periods, which insofar as
practicable shall be in the middle of each work period" and that the "rest period time shall be
based on the total hours worked daily at the rate of ten (10) minutes net rest time per four (4)
hours or major fraction thereof" unless the total daily work time is less than three and one-half
(3 ½) hours.

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Total and the relevant time period, Defendants required Plaintiffs and other class
 members to work four (4) or more hours without authorizing or permitting a ten (10) minute
 rest period per each four (4) hour period worked.

76. During the relevant time period, Defendants willfully required Plaintiffs and the
other class members to work during rest periods and failed to pay Plaintiffs and the other class
members the full rest period premium for work performed during rest periods.

7 77. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to pay Plaintiffs and the other
8 class members the full rest period premium due pursuant to California Labor Code section
9 226.7

10 78. Defendants' conduct violates applicable IWC Wage Orders and California
11 Labor Code section 226.7.

12 79. Pursuant to the applicable IWC Wage Orders and California Labor Code section
13 226.7(c), Plaintiffs and the other class members are entitled to recover from Defendants one
14 additional hour of pay at the employees' regular hourly rate of compensation for each work
15 day that the rest period was not provided.

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Violation of California Labor Code §§ 1194, 1197, and 1197.1) (Against IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC, IKEA US RETAIL LLC,

IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES INC., and DOES 1 through 100)

80. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1
through 79, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set
forth herein.

81. At all relevant times, California Labor Code sections 1194, 1197, and 1197.1
provide that the minimum wage to be paid to employees, and the payment of a lesser wage
than the minimum so fixed is unlawful.

26 82. During the relevant time period, Defendants failed to pay minimum wage to
27 Plaintiffs and the other class members as required, pursuant to California Labor Code sections
28 1194, 1197, and 1197.1.

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1 83. Defendants' failure to pay Plaintiffs and the other class members the minimum 2 wage as required violates California Labor Code sections 1194, 1197, and 1197.1. Pursuant to 3 those sections Plaintiffs and the other class members are entitled to recover the unpaid balance 4 of their minimum wage compensation as well as interest, costs, and attorney's fees, and 5 liquidated damages in an amount equal to the wages unlawfully unpaid and interest thereon. 6 84. Pursuant to California Labor Code section 1197.1, Plaintiffs and the other class 7 members are entitled to recover a penalty of \$100.00 for the initial failure to timely pay each 8 employee minimum wages, and \$250.00 for each subsequent failure to pay each employee 9 minimum wages.

10 85. Pursuant to California Labor Code section 1194.2, Plaintiffs and the other class members are entitled to recover liquidated damages in an amount equal to the wages 11 12 unlawfully unpaid and interest thereon.

FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Violation of California Labor Code §§ 201 and 202)

(Against IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC, IKEA US RETAIL LLC, **IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES INC., and DOES 1 through 100)**

17 86. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 18 through 85, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set 19 forth herein.

20 87. At all relevant times herein set forth, California Labor Code sections 201 and 21 202 provide that if an employer discharges an employee, the wages earned and unpaid at the 22 time of discharge are due and payable immediately, and if an employee quits his or her 23 employment, his or her wages shall become due and payable not later than seventy-two (72) 24 hours thereafter, unless the employee has given seventy-two (72) hours' notice of his or her 25 intention to quit, in which case the employee is entitled to his or her wages at the time of 26 quitting. 27 /// 28 ///

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сю œ 1 88. During the relevant time period, Defendants intentionally and willfully failed to
 2 pay Plaintiffs and the other class members who are no longer employed by Defendants their
 3 wages, earned and unpaid, within seventy-two (72) hours of their leaving Defendants' employ.

89. Defendants' failure to pay Plaintiffs and the other class members who are no
longer employed by Defendants' their wages, earned and unpaid, within seventy-two (72)
hours of their leaving Defendants' employ, is in violation of California Labor Code sections
201 and 202.

8 90. California Labor Code section 203 provides that if an employer willfully fails to
9 pay wages owed, in accordance with sections 201 and 202, then the wages of the employee
10 shall continue as a penalty from the due date thereof at the same rate until paid or until an
11 action is commenced; but the wages shall not continue for more than thirty (30) days.

91. Plaintiffs and the other class members are entitled to recover from Defendants
the statutory penalty wages for each day they were not paid, up to a thirty (30) day maximum
pursuant to California Labor Code section 203.

SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Violation of California Labor Code § 204)

(Against IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC, IKEA US RETAIL LLC, IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES INC., and DOES 1 through 100)

19 92. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1
20 through 91, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set
21 forth herein.

93. At all times herein set forth, California Labor Code section 204 provides that all
wages earned by any person in any employment between the 1st and 15th days, inclusive, of
any calendar month, other than those wages due upon termination of an employee, are due and
payable between the 16th and the 26th day of the month during which the labor was
performed.

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94. At all times herein set forth, California Labor Code section 204 provides that all
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wages earned by any person in any employment between the 16th and the last day, inclusive,

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of any calendar month, other than those wages due upon termination of an employee, are due
 and payable between the 1st and the 10th day of the following month.

- 3 95. At all times herein set forth, California Labor Code section 204 provides that all
 4 wages earned for labor in excess of the normal work period shall be paid no later than the
 5 payday for the next regular payroll period.
- 6 96. During the relevant time period, Defendants intentionally and willfully failed to
 7 pay Plaintiffs and the other class members all wages due to them, within any time period
 8 permissible under California Labor Code section 204.
- 9 97. Plaintiffs and the other class members are entitled to recover all remedies
 10 available for violations of California Labor Code section 204.

SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Violation of California Labor Code § 226(a))

(Against IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC, IKEA US RETAIL LLC, IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES INC., and DOES 1 through 100)

15 98. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1
16 through 97, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set
17 forth herein.

18 99. At all material times set forth herein, California Labor Code section 226(a) 19 provides that every employer shall furnish each of his or her employees an accurate itemized 20 statement in writing showing (1) gross wages earned, (2) total hours worked by the employee, 21 (3) the number of piece-rate units earned and any applicable piece rate if the employee is paid 22 on a piece-rate basis, (4) all deductions, provided that all deductions made on written orders of 23 the employee may be aggregated and shown as one item, (5) net wages earned, (6) the 24 inclusive dates of the period for which the employee is paid, (7) the name of the employee and 25 his or her social security number, (8) the name and address of the legal entity that is the 26 employer, and (9) all applicable hourly rates in effect during the pay period and the 27 corresponding number of hours worked at each hourly rate by the employee. The deductions 28 made from payments of wages shall be recorded in ink or other indelible form, properly dated,

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showing the month, day, and year, and a copy of the statement or a record of the deductions
 shall be kept on file by the employer for at least three years at the place of employment or at a
 central location within the State of California.

4 100. Defendants have intentionally and willfully failed to provide Plaintiffs and the
5 other class members with complete and accurate wage statements. The deficiencies include,
6 but are not limited to: the failure to include the total number of hours worked by Plaintiffs and
7 the other class members.

8 101. As a result of Defendants' violation of California Labor Code section 226(a),
9 Plaintiffs and the other class members have suffered injury and damage to their statutorily10 protected rights.

102. More specifically, Plaintiffs and the other class members have been injured by
12 Defendants' intentional and willful violation of California Labor Code section 226(a) because
13 they were denied both their legal right to receive, and their protected interest in receiving,
14 accurate and itemized wage statements pursuant to California Labor Code section 226(a).

103. Plaintiffs and the other class members are entitled to recover from Defendants
the greater of their actual damages caused by Defendants' failure to comply with California
Labor Code section 226(a), or an aggregate penalty not exceeding four thousand dollars per
employee.

19 104. Plaintiffs and the other class members are also entitled to injunctive relief to
20 ensure compliance with this section, pursuant to California Labor Code section 226(h).

EIGHTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Violation of California Labor Code § 1174(d))

(Against IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC, IKEA US RETAIL LLC,

IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES INC., and DOES 1 through 100)

105. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1
through 104, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set
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LAWYERS *for JUSTICE*, PC 410 West Arden Avenue, Suite 203 Glendale, California 91203 1 106. Pursuant to California Labor Code section 1174(d), an employer shall keep, at a
 2 central location in the state or at the plants or establishments at which employees are
 3 employed, payroll records showing the hours worked daily by and the wages paid to, and the
 4 number of piece-rate units earned by and any applicable piece rate paid to, employees
 5 employed at the respective plants or establishments. These records shall be kept in accordance
 6 with rules established for this purpose by the commission, but in any case shall be kept on file
 7 for not less than two years.

8 107. Defendants have intentionally and willfully failed to keep accurate and complete
9 payroll records showing the hours worked daily and the wages paid, to Plaintiffs and the other
10 class members.

11 108. As a result of Defendants' violation of California Labor Code section 1174(d),
12 Plaintiffs and the other class members have suffered injury and damage to their statutorily13 protected rights.

14 109. More specifically, Plaintiffs and the other class members have been injured by
15 Defendants' intentional and willful violation of California Labor Code section 1174(d) because
16 they were denied both their legal right and protected interest, in having available, accurate and
17 complete payroll records pursuant to California Labor Code section 1174(d).

NINTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Violation of California Labor Code §§ 2800 and 2802)

(Against IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC, IKEA US RETAIL LLC, IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES INC., and DOES 1 through 100)

110. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1
through 109, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set
forth herein.

25 111. Pursuant to California Labor Code sections 2800 and 2802, an employer must
26 reimburse its employee for all necessary expenditures incurred by the employee in direct
27 consequence of the discharge of his or her job duties or in direct consequence of his or her
28 obedience to the directions of the employer.

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1 112. Plaintiffs and the other class members incurred necessary business-related
 2 expenses and costs that were not fully reimbursed by Defendants.

3 113. Defendants have intentionally and willfully failed to reimburse Plaintiffs and the
4 other class members for all necessary business-related expenses and costs.

114. Plaintiffs and the other class members are entitled to recover from Defendants
their business-related expenses and costs incurred during the course and scope of their
employment, plus interest accrued from the date on which the employee incurred the necessary
expenditures at the same rate as judgments in civil actions in the State of California.

TENTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Violation of California Business & Professions Code §§ 17200, et seq.) (Against IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC, IKEA US RETAIL LLC, IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES INC., and DOES 1 through 100)

115. Plaintiffs incorporates by reference the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 114, and each and every part thereof with the same force and effect as though fully set forth herein.

16 116. Defendants' conduct, as alleged herein, has been, and continues to be, unfair,
17 unlawful and harmful to Plaintiffs, other class members, to the general public, and Defendants'
18 competitors. Accordingly, Plaintiffs seek to enforce important rights affecting the public
19 interest within the meaning of Code of Civil Procedure section 1021.5.

20 117. Defendants' activities as alleged herein are violations of California law, and
21 constitute unlawful business acts and practices in violation of California Business &
22 Professions Code section 17200, et seq.

118. A violation of California Business & Professions Code section 17200, et seq.
may be predicated on the violation of any state or federal law. In this instant case, Defendants'
policies and practices of requiring employees, including Plaintiffs and the other class members,
to work overtime without paying them proper compensation violate California Labor Code
sections 510 and 1198. Additionally, Defendants' policies and practices of requiring
employees, including Plaintiffs and the other class members, to work through their meal and

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rest periods without paying them proper compensation violate California Labor Code sections
 226.7 and 512(a). Defendants' policies and practices of failing to pay minimum wages violate
 California Labor Code sections 1194, 1197, and 1197.1. Moreover, Defendants' policies and
 practices of failing to timely pay wages to Plaintiffs and the other class members violate
 California Labor Code sections 201, 202 and 204. Defendants also violated California Labor
 Code sections 226(a), 1174(d), 2800 and 2802.

7 119. As a result of the herein described violations of California law, Defendants
8 unlawfully gained an unfair advantage over other businesses.

9 120. Plaintiffs and the other class members have been personally injured by
 10 Defendants' unlawful business acts and practices as alleged herein, including but not
 11 necessarily limited to the loss of money and/or property.

12 121. Pursuant to California Business & Professions Code sections 17200, et seq.,
13 Plaintiffs and the other class members are entitled to restitution of the wages withheld and
14 retained by Defendants during a period that commences four years preceding the filing of this
15 Complaint; an award of attorneys' fees pursuant to California Code of Civil procedure section
16 1021.5 and other applicable laws; and an award of costs.

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Plaintiff ONE, individually, and on behalf of other members of the general public
similarly situated, and Plaintiff TWO, individually, and on behalf of other members of the
general public similarly situated, request a trial by jury.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff ONE, individually, and on behalf of other members of the
general public similarly situated, and Plaintiff TWO, individually, and on behalf of other
members of the general public similarly situated, pray for relief and judgment against
Defendants, jointly and severally, as follows:

Class Certification

- 1. That this action be certified as a class action;
 - 2. That Plaintiffs be appointed as the representatives of the Class;

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3. That counsel for Plaintiffs be appointed as Class Counsel; and

4. That Defendants provide to Class Counsel immediately the names and most
current/last known contact information (address, e-mail and telephone numbers) of all class
members.

As to the First Cause of Action

5. That the Court declare, adjudge and decree that Defendants violated California
Labor Code sections 510 and 1198 and applicable IWC Wage Orders by willfully failing to pay
all overtime wages due to Plaintiffs and the other class members;

9 6. For general unpaid wages at overtime wage rates and such general and special
10 damages as may be appropriate;

11 7. For pre-judgment interest on any unpaid overtime compensation commencing
12 from the date such amounts were due;

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8. For reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of suit incurred herein pursuant to
14 California Labor Code section 1194; and

9. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

As to the Second Cause of Action

17 10. That the Court declare, adjudge and decree that Defendants violated California
18 Labor Code sections 226.7 and 512 and applicable IWC Wage Orders by willfully failing to
19 provide all meal periods (including second meal periods) to Plaintiffs and the other class
20 members;

11. That the Court make an award to Plaintiffs and the other class members of one
(1) hour of pay at each employee's regular rate of compensation for each workday that a meal
period was not provided;

For all actual, consequential, and incidental losses and damages, according to
proof;

13. For premium wages pursuant to California Labor Code section 226.7(c);

27 14. For pre-judgment interest on any unpaid wages from the date such amounts
28 were due;

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1	15.	For reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of suit incurred herein; and	
2	16.	For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.	
3	As to the Third Cause of Action		
4	17.	That the Court declare, adjudge and decree that Defendants violated California	
5	Labor Code	section 226.7 and applicable IWC Wage Orders by willfully failing to provide all	
6	rest periods	to Plaintiffs and the other class members;	
7	18.	That the Court make an award to Plaintiffs and the other class members of one	
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9	period was n	ot provided;	
10	19.	For all actual, consequential, and incidental losses and damages, according to	
11	proof;		
12	20.	For premium wages pursuant to California Labor Code section 226.7(c);	
13	21.	For pre-judgment interest on any unpaid wages from the date such amounts	
14	were due; an	d	
15	22.	For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.	
16		As to the Fourth Cause of Action	
17	23.	That the Court declare, adjudge and decree that Defendants violated California	
18	Labor Code s	sections 1194, 1197, and 1197.1 by willfully failing to pay minimum wages to	
19	Plaintiffs and	I the other class members;	
20	24.	For general unpaid wages and such general and special damages as may be	
21	appropriate;		
22	25.	For statutory wage penalties pursuant to California Labor Code section 1197.1	
23	for Plaintiffs and the other class members in the amount as may be established according to		
24	proof at trial;		
25	26.	For pre-judgment interest on any unpaid compensation from the date such	
26	amounts were	e due;	
27	27.	For reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of suit incurred herein pursuant to	
28	California La	bor Code section 1194(a);	
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1	40.	For actual, consequential and incidental losses and damages, according to proof;		
2	41. For statutory penalties pursuant to California Labor Code section 226(e);			
3	42.	For injunctive relief to ensure compliance with this section, pursuant to		
4	California L	abor Code section 226(h); and		
5	43.	For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.		
6		As to the Eighth Cause of Action		
7	44.	That the Court declare, adjudge and decree that Defendants violated California		
8	Labor Code	section 1174(d) by willfully failing to keep accurate and complete payroll records		
9	for Plaintiffs	s and the other class members as required by California Labor Code section		
10	1174(d);			
11	45.	For actual, consequential and incidental losses and damages, according to proof;		
12	46.	For statutory penalties pursuant to California Labor Code section 1174.5; and		
13	47.	For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.		
14	As to the Ninth Cause of Action			
15	48.	That the Court declare, adjudge and decree that Defendants violated California		
16	Labor Code sections 2800 and 2802 by willfully failing to reimburse Plaintiffs and the other			
17	class membe	ers for all necessary business-related expenses as required by California Labor		
18	Code sectior	ns 2800 and 2802;		
19	49.	For actual, consequential and incidental losses and damages, according to proof;		
20	50.	For the imposition of civil penalties and/or statutory penalties;		
21	51.	For reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of suit incurred herein; and		
22	52.	For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.		
23		As to the Tenth Cause of Action		
24	53.	That the Court decree, adjudge and decree that Defendants violated California		
25	Business and	Professions Code sections 17200, et seq. by failing to provide Plaintiffs and the		
26	other class m	nembers all overtime compensation due to them, failing to provide all meal and		
27	rest periods	to Plaintiffs and the other class members, failing to pay at least minimum wages to		
28	Plaintiffs and	d the other class members, failing to pay Plaintiffs' and the other class members'		
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wages timely as required by California Labor Code section 201, 202 and 204 and by violating
 California Labor Code sections 226(a), 1174(d), 2800 and 2802.

54. For restitution of unpaid wages to Plaintiffs and all the other class members and
all pre-judgment interest from the day such amounts were due and payable;

5 55. For the appointment of a receiver to receive, manage and distribute any and all
6 funds disgorged from Defendants and determined to have been wrongfully acquired by
7 Defendants as a result of violation of California Business and Professions Code sections
8 17200, et seq.;

9 56. For reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of suit incurred herein pursuant to
10 California Code of Civil Procedure section 1021.5;

57. For injunctive relief to ensure compliance with this section, pursuant to California Business and Professions Code sections 17200, et seq.; and

58. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Dated: August 21, 2020

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entity; "Additional Parties Attachment form is attached."	AUG 2 4 2020
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KYREE WILSON, RHONDA GUERRERO, individually, and on behalf of other members of the general public similarly situated;	By had Drew Deputy
NOFICEI You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless	you reasond within 30 days. Read the information
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You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in process. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court form: Online Self-Heip Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfheip), your county law library, or the courthouse it the court clerk for a fee walver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case may be taken without further warning from the court. There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not the referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be sligble for free legal services from a netwes on profit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Legal Services Generation. NOTE: costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a clvit case. The court's lien must (AVISOI Le han demandado. SI no responde dentro de 30 dies, la corte puede decldir en su contra continuación. There 30 DIAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y pepeles legales procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formul Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Corte biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que la quede más carca. Si no puede pagar la cuota que la dá un formularia de exención de pago de cuotes. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia. Hay otros requisitos	roper legal form if you want the court to hear your a and more information at the California Courts hearest you. If you cannot pay the filling fee, ask by default, and your wages, money, and property how an attorney, you may want to call an altorney conprofit legal services program. You can locate altornia Courts Online Self-Help Center The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and to be paid before the court will diamiss the case. Is in escuchar su version. Lea la información a ara presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta rotegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar ario que usted pueda usar para su respueste, as de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la a de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte de parder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le noce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de ara obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un a el sitio web de California Legal Services, vi) o poniándose en contacto con la corte o el tos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre le arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que
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Stanley Mosk Courthouse, 111 N. Hill Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012	
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(Fecha) (Secretario)	STEVEN OREW	(Adjunto)
For proof of service of this summons, use Proof of Service of Summons (form POS-010) Para prueba de entrega de esta citatión use el formulario Proof of Service of Summons, NOTICE TO THE PERSON SERVED: You are served 1. as an individual defendant. 2. as the person sued under the fictitious name of 3. on behalf of (specify): Under: CCP 416.10 (corporation) CCP 416.20 (defunct corporation) CCP 416.40 (association or partnershil)	(POS-010)). (specify): CCP 416.60 (minor) CCP 416.70 (conservate	99)
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Glendale, California 91203 TELEPHONE NO.: (818) 265-1020	FAX.NO.: (818) 265-1021	Superior Court of California
ATTORNEY FOR (Name): Plaintiffs Kyree Wils	son and Rhonda Guerrero	County of Los Angeles
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF		
STREET ADDRESS: 111 North Hill Street		AUG 24 2020
MAILING ADDRESS:		
CITY AND ZIP CODE: LOS Angeles, 90012		Sherri R. Carter, Executive Officer/Clerk of Court
BRANCH NAME: Stanley Mosk Court	ouse	By Deputy
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Wilson, et al. vs. Ikea North Americ	a Services, LLC, et al.	
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Auto (22)	Breach of contract/warranty (06)	(Cal. Rules of Court, rules 3.400-3.403)
Uninsured motorist (48)	Rule 3.740 collections (09)	Antitrust/Trade regulation (03)
Other PI/PD/WD (Personal Injury/Property	Other collections (09)	Construction defect (10)
Damage/Wrongful Death) Tort	Insurance coverage (18)	Mass tort (40)
Asbestos (04)	Other contract (37)	Securities litigation (28)
Product liability (24)	Real Property	Environmental/Toxic tort (30)
Medical malpractice (45)	Eminent domain/Inverse	Insurance coverage claims arising from the
Other PI/PD/WD (23)	condemnation (14) Wrongful eviction (33)	above listed provisionally complex case types (41)
Non-PI/PD/WD (Other) Tort		Enforcement of Judgment
Business tort/unfair business practice (07	,	Enforcement of judgment (20)
Civit rights (08)	Unlawful Detainer Commercial (31)	
Defamation (13)	Residential (32)	Miscellaneous Civil Complaint
Fraud (16)	Drugs (38)	
Intellectual property (19) Professional negligence (25)	Judicial Review	Other compleint (not specified above) (42)
Other non-PI/PD/WD tort (35)	Asset forfeiture (05)	Miscellaneous Civil Petition
Employment	Petition re: arbitration award (11)	Partnership and corporate governance (21)
Wrongful termination (36)	Writ of mandate (02)	Other petillon (not specified above) (43)
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INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO COMPLETE THE COVER SHEET

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To Plaintiffs and Others Filing First Papers. If you are filing a first paper (for example, a complaint) in a civil case, you must complete and file, along with your first paper, the *Civil Case Cover Sheet* contained on page 1. This information will be used to compile statistics about the types and numbers of cases filed. You must complete items 1 through 6 on the sheet. In item 1, you must check one box for the case type that best describes the case. If the case fits both a general and a more specific type of case listed in item 1, check the more specific one. If the case has multiple causes of action, check the box that best indicates the primary cause of action. To assist you in completing the sheet, examples of the cases that belong under each case type in item 1 are provided below. A cover sheet must be filed only with your initial paper. Failure to file a cover sheet with the first paper filed in a civil case may subject a party, its counsel, or both to sanctions under rules 2.30 and 3.220 of the California Rules of Court.

To Parties in Rule 3.740 Collections Cases. A "collections case" under rule 3.740 is defined as an action for recovery of money owed in a sum stated to be certain that is not more than \$25,000, exclusive of interest and attorney's fees, arising from a transaction in which property, services, or money was acquired on credit. A collections case does not include an action seeking the following: (1) tort damages, (2) punitive damages, (3) recovery of real property, (4) recovery of personal property, or (5) a prejudgment writ of attachment. The identification of a case as a rule 3.740 collections case on this form means that it will be exempt from the general time-for-service requirements and case management rules, unless a defendant files a responsive pleading. A rule 3.740 collections case will be subject to the requirements for service and obtaining a judgment in rule 3.740.

To Parties in Complex Cases. In complex cases only, parties must also use the *Civil Case Cover Sheet* to designate whether the case is complex. If a plaintiff believes the case is complex under rule 3.400 of the California Rules of Court, this must be indicated by completing the appropriate boxes in items 1 and 2. If a plaintiff designates a case as complex, the cover sheet must be served with the complaint on all parties to the action. A defendant may file and serve no later than the time of its first appearance a joinder in the plaintiffs designation, a counter-designation that the case is not complex, or, if the plaintiff has made no designation, a designation that the case is complex. CASE TYPES AND EXAMPLES

Contract (not unlewful detainer

Plaintiff (not fraud or negligence)

or wrongful eviction)

Contract/Warranty Breach-Seller

Other Breach of Contract/Warranty

Other Promissory Note/Collections

Negligent Breach of Contract/

Collections (e.g., money owed, open

Collection Case-Seller Plaintiff

Insurance Coverage (not provisionally

Breach of Contract/Warranty (06)

Breach of Rental/Lease

Warranty

book accounts) (09)

Case

complex) (18)

Other Contract (37)

Real Property

Auto Subrogation

Contractual Fraud

Eminent Domain/Inverse

Wrongful Eviction (33)

Quiet Title

foreclosure)

Asset Forfeiture (05)

Writ of Mandate (02)

Case Matter

Other Judicial Review (39)

Review

Commercial (31)

Residential (32)

Unlawful Detainer

Judicial Review

Condemnation (14)

Mortgage Foreclosure

Other Contract Dispute

Other Real Property (e.g., quiet title) (26)

Other Real Property (not eminent

domain, landlord/tenant, or

Drugs (38) (if the case involves illegal

Petition Re: Arbitration Award (11)

Writ-Administrative Mandamus

Writ-Other Limited Court Case

Review of Health Officer Order Notice of Appea-Labor

Writ-Mandamus on Limited Court

drugs, check this item; otherwise,

report as Commercial or Residential)

Writ of Possession of Real Property

Other Coverage

Contract

Auto Tort

Auto (22)-Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death Uninsured Motorist (46) (if the case involves an uninsured motorist claim subject to arbitration, check this item instead of Auto) Other PI/PD/WD (Personal Injury/ Property Damage/Wrongful Death) Tort Asbestos (04) Asbestos Property Damage Asbestos Personal Injury/ Wrongful Death Product Liability (not asbestos or toxic/environmental) (24) Medical Malpractice (45) Medical Malpractice-Physicians & Surgeons Other Professional Health Care Malpractice Other PI/PD/WD (23) Premises Liablity (e.g., slip and fall) Intentional Bodily Injury/PD/WD (e.g., assault, vandalism) Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress Negligent Infliction of Emotional Distress Other PI/PD/WD Non-PI/PD/WD (Other) Tort Business Tort/Unfair Business Practice (07) Civil Rights (e.g., discrimination, false arrest) (not civil harassment) (08) Defamation (e.g., slander, libel) (13) Fraud (16) Intellectual Property (19) Professional Negligence (25) Legal Malpractice Other Professional Malpractice (not medical or legal) Other Non-PI/PD/WD Tort (35) Employment Wrongful Termination (36) Other Employment (15)

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Commissioner Appeals

Provisionally Complex Civil Litigation (Cal. Rules of Court Rules 3.400-3.403) Antitrust/Trade Regulation (03) Construction Defect (10) Claims involving Mass Tort (40) Securities Litigation (28) Environmental/Toxic Tort (30) Insurance Coverage Claims (arising from provisionally complex case type listed above) (41) Enforcement of Judgment Enforcement of Judgment (20) Abstract of Judgment (Out of County) Confession of Judgment (nondomestic relations) Sister State Judgment Administrative Agency Award (not unpaid taxes) Petition/Certification of Entry of Judgment on Unpaid Taxes Other Enforcement of Judgment Case **Miscellaneous Civil Complaint RICO (27)** Other Complaint (not specified above) (42) Declaratory Relief Only Injunctive Relief Only (nonharassment) Mechanics Lien Other Commercial Complaint Case (non-tort/non-complex) Other Civil Complaint (non-tort/non-complex) **Miscellaneous Civil Petition** Partnership and Corporate Governance (21) Other Petition (not specified above) (43) **Civil Harassment** Workplace Violence Elder/Dependent Adult Abuse **Election Contest** Petition for Name Change Petition for Relief From Late Claim **Other Civil Petition**

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CIVIL CASE COVER SHEET ADDENDUM AND STATEMENT OF LOCATION (CERTIFICATE OF GROUNDS FOR ASSIGNMENT TO COURTHOUSE LOCATION)

This form is required pursuant to Local Rule 2.3 in all new civil case filings in the Los Angeles Superior Court.

Step 1: After completing the Civil Case Cover Sheet (Judicial Council form CM-010), find the exact case type in Column A that corresponds to the case type indicated in the Civil Case Cover Sheet.

Step 2: In Column B, check the box for the type of action that best describes the nature of the case.

Step 3: In Column C, circle the number which explains the reason for the court filing location you have chosen.

Applicable Reasons for Choosing Court Filing Location (Column C)

1. Class actions must be filed in the Stanley Mosk Courthouse, Central District.

- 2. Permissive filing in central district.
- 3. Location where cause of action arose.

4. Mandatory personal Injury filing in North District.

- 5. Location where performance required or defendant resides.
- 6. Location of property or permanently garaged vehicle.

- 7. Location where petitioner resides.
- 8. Location wherein defendant/respondent functions wholly.
- 9. Location where one or more of the parties reside.
- 10. Location of Labor Commissioner Office.

11. Mandatory filing location (Hub Cases – unlawful detainer, limited non-collection, limited collection, or personal injury).

	A Civil Case Cover Sheet Category No.	B Type of Action (Check only one)	C Applicable Reasons - See Step 3 Above
0.44	Auto (22)	A7100 Motor Vehicle - Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death	1, 4, 11
Auto Tort	Uninsured Motorist (46)	A7110 Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death – Uninsured Motorist	1, 4, 11
<u>ک</u> ۲	Asbestos (04)	A6070 Asbestos Property Damage A7221 Asbestos - Personal Injury/Wrongful Death	1, 11 1, 1 1
Propert ath Tor	Product Liability (24)	A7260 Product Liability (not asbestos or toxic/environmental)	1, 4, 11
al Injury/ I ongful Dea	Medical Malpractice (45)	A7210 Medical Malpractice - Physicians & Surgeons A7240 Other Professional Health Care Malpractice	1, 4, 11 1, 4, 11
Other Personal Injury/ Property Damage/ Wrongful Death Tort	Other Personal Injury Property Damage Wrongful Death (23)	 A7250 Premises Liability (e.g., slip and fall) A7230 Intentional Bodily Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death (e.g., assault, vandalism, etc.) A7270 Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress A7220 Other Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death 	1, 4, 11 1, 4, 11 1, 4, 11 1, 4, 11 1, 4, 11

CIVIL CASE COVER SHEET ADDENDUM AND STATEMENT OF LOCATION

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	Wilson, et al. vs. Ikea North A	America Services, LLC, et al. CASE NUMBER	
	A Civil Case Cover Sheet Category No.	B Dype of Action (Check only one)	C Applicable Reasons - See Step Above
Non-Personal Injury/ Property Damage/ Wrongful Death Tort	Business Tort (07)	A6029 Other Commercial/Business Tort (not fraud/breach of contract)	1, 2, 3
	Civil Rights (08)	A6005 Civil Rights/Discrimination	1, 2, 3
	Defamation (13)	A6010 Defamation (slander/libel)	1, 2, 3
	Fraud (16)	A6013 Fraud (no contract)	1, 2, 3
mage/ Wn	Professional Negligence (25)	 A6017 Legal Malpractice A6050 Other Professional Malpractice (not medical or legal) 	1, 2, 3 1, 2, 3
Da	Other (35)	A6025 Other Non-Personal Injury/Property Damage tort	1, 2, 3
ant	Wrongful Termination (36)	A6037 Wrongful Termination	1, 2, 3
Employment	Other Employment (15)	 A6024 Other Employment Complaint Case A6109 Labor Commissioner Appeals 	1 2, 3
	Breach of Contract/ Warranty (06) (not insurance)	 A6004 Breach of Rental/Lease Contract (not unlawful detainer or wrongful eviction) A6008 Contract/Warranty Breach -Seller Plaintiff (no fraud/negligence) A6019 Negligent Breach of Contract/Warranty (no fraud) A6028 Other Breach of Contract/Warranty (not fraud or negligence) 	2, 5 2, 5 1, 2, 5 1, 2, 5
Contract	Collections (09)	 A6002 Collections Case-Seller Plaintiff A6012 Other Promissory Note/Collections Case A6034 Collections Case-Purchased Debt (Charged Off Consumer Debt Purchased on or after January 1, 2014) 	5, 6, 11 5, 11 5, 6, 11
	Insurance Coverage (18)	A6015 Insurance Coverage (not complex)	1, 2, 5, 8
	Other Contract (37)	 A6009 Contractual Fraud A6031 Tortious Interference A6027 Other Contract Dispute(not breach/insurance/fraud/negligence) 	1, 2, 3, 5 1, 2, 3, 5 1, 2, 3, 8, 9
•	Eminent Domain/Inverse Condemnation (14)	A7300 Eminent Domain/Condemnation Number of parcels	2, 6
operty	Wrangful Eviction (33)	A6023 Wrongful Eviction Case	2, 6
Real Property	Other Real Property (26)	 A6018 Mortgage Foreclosure A6032 Quiet Title A6060 Other Real Property (not eminent domain, landlord/tenant, foreclosure) 	2, 6 2, 6 2, 6
5	Unlawful Detainer-Commercial (31)	A6021 Unlawful Detainer-Commercial (not drugs or wrongful eviction)	6, 11
Uniawful Detainer	Unlawful Detainer-Residential	A6020 Unlawful Detainer-Residential (not drugs or wrongful eviction)	6, 11
Iwful C	Uniawful Detainer- Post-Foreclosure (34)	A6020F Unlawful Detainer-Post-Foreclosure	2, 6, 11
Unla	Unlawful Detainer-Drugs (38)	A6022 Unlawful Detainer-Drugs	2, 6, 11

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	A Civil Case Cover Sheet Category No.	B Type of Ac (Check only		C Applicable Reasons - See Step Above
	Asset Forfeiture (05)	A6108 Asset Forfeiture Case		2, 3, 6
ew	Petition re Arbitration (11)	A6115 Petition to Compel/Confirm/Vacate	e Arbitration	2, 5
Judicial Review	Writ of Mandate (02)	 A6151 Writ - Administrative Mandamus A6152 Writ - Mandamus on Limited Court A6153 Writ - Other Limited Court Case R 		2, 8 2 2
	Other Judicial Review (39)	A6150 Other Writ /Judicial Review	2, 8	
Ľ	Antitrust/Trade Regulation (03)	A6003 Antitrust/Trade Regulation		1, 2, 8
itigatic	Construction Defect (10)	A6007 Construction Defect		1, 2, 3
plex Li	Claims Involving Mass Tort (40)	A6006 Claims Involving Mass Tort		1, 2, 8
/ Com	Securities Litigation (28)	A6035 Securities Litigation Case		1, 2, 8
Provisionally Complex Litigation	Toxic Tort Environmental (30)	A6036 Toxic Tort/Environmental		1, 2, 3, 8
Provis	Insurance Coverage Claims from Complex Case (41)	CI A6014 Insurance Coverage/Subrogation ((complex case only)	1, 2, 5, 8
Enforcement of Judgment	Enforcement of Judgment (20)	 A6141 Sister State Judgment A6160 Abstract of Judgment A6107 Confession of Judgment (non-dom A6140 Administrative Agency Award (not A6114 Petition/Certificate for Entry of Jud A6112 Other Enforcement of Judgment C 	unpaid taxes) gment on Unpaid Tax	2, 6 2, 9 2, 8 2, 8 2, 8
	RICO (27)	A6033 Racketeering (RICO) Case		1, 2, 8
Miscellaneous Civil Complaints	Other Complaints (Not Specified Above) (42)	 A6030 Declaratory Relief Only A6040 Injunctive Relief Only (not domesti A6011 Other Commercial Complaint Case A6000 Other Civil Complaint (non-tort/nor 	e (non-tort/non-complex)	1, 2, 8 2, 8 1, 2, 8 1, 2, 8
	Partnership Corporation Governance (21)	A6113 Partnership and Corporate Govern	ance Case	2, 8
Miscellaneous Civil Petitions	Other Petitlons (Not Specified Above) (43)	 A6121 Civil Harassment With Damages A6123 Workplace Harassment With Dama A6124 Elder/Dependent Adult Abuse Case A6190 Election Contest A6110 Petition for Change of Name/Chan A6170 Petition for Relief from Late Claim I 	e With Damages ge of Gender	2, 3, 9 2, 3, 9 2, 3, 9 2, 3, 9 2 2, 7 2, 3, 8
		A6100 Other Civil Petition		2, 9

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Step 4: Statement of Reason and Address: Check the appropriate boxes for the numbers shown under Column C for the type of action that you have selected. Enter the address which is the basis for the filing location, including zip code. (No address required for class action cases).

REASON:			ADDRESS: 600 S Ikea Way
◎ 1. □ 2. □ 3. □ 4. □ 5. □ 6. □ 7. □ 8. □ 9. □ 10. □ 11.			
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP CODE:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Burbank	CA	91502	

Step 5: Certification of Assignment: I certify that this case is properly filed in the Central District of the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles [Code Civ. Proc., §392 et seq., and Local Rule 2.3(a)(1)(E)].

Dated: August 21, 2020

(SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY/FILING PAR

PLEASE HAVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS COMPLETED AND READY TO BE FILED IN ORDER TO PROPERLY COMMENCE YOUR NEW COURT CASE:

- 1. Original Complaint or Petition.
- 2. If filing a Complaint, a completed Summons form for issuance by the Clerk.
- 3. Civil Case Cover Sheet, Judicial Council form CM-010.
- 4. Civil Case Cover Sheet Addendum and Statement of Location form, LACIV 109, LASC Approved 03-04 (Rev. 02/16).
- 5. Payment in full of the filing fee, unless there is court order for waiver, partial or scheduled payments.
- 6. A signed order appointing the Guardian ad Litem, Judicial Council form CIV-010, if the plaintiff or petitioner is a minor under 18 years of age will be required by Court in order to issue a summons.
- 7. Additional copies of documents to be conformed by the Clerk. Copies of the cover sheet and this addendum must be served along with the summons and complaint, or other initiating pleading in the case.

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES	Reserved for Clerk's File Stamp
COURTHOUSE ADDRESS: Spring Street Courthouse 312 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012	FILED Superior Court of California County of Los Angales 08/24/2020
NOTICE OF CASE ASSIGNMENT UNLIMITED CIVIL CASE	Shern R. Carter, Executive Oblace / Oach of Court By:S. D70wDapaty
Your case is assigned for all purposes to the judicial officer indicated below.	CASE NUMBER 20STCV32154

THIS FORM IS TO BE SERVED WITH THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT

	ASSIGNED JUDGE	DEPT	ROOM	ASSIGNED JUDGE	DEPT	ROOM
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Given to the Plaintiff/Cross-Complainant/Attorney of Record

Sherri R. Carter, Executive Officer / Clerk of Court

By S. Drew _____, Deputy Clerk

on 08/24/2020 (Date)

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR HANDLING UNLIMITED CIVIL CASES

The following critical provisions of the California Rules of Court, Title 3, Division 7, as applicable in the Superior Court, are summarized for your assistance.

APPLICATION

The Division 7 Rules were effective January 1, 2007. They apply to all general civil cases.

PRIORITY OVER OTHER RULES

The Division 7 Rules shall have priority over all other Local Rules to the extent the others are inconsistent.

CHALLENGE TO ASSIGNED JUDGE

A challenge under Code of Civil Procedure Section 170.6 must be made within 15 days after notice of assignment for all purposes to a judge, or if a party has not yet appeared, within 15 days of the first appearance.

TIME STANDARDS

Cases assigned to the Independent Calendaring Courts will be subject to processing under the following time standards:

COMPLAINTS

All complaints shall be served within 60 days of filing and proof of service shall be filed within 90 days.

CROSS-COMPLAINTS

Without leave of court first being obtained, no cross-complaint may be filed by any party after their answer is filed. Crosscomplaints shall be served within 30 days of the filing date and a proof of service filed within 60 days of the filing date.

STATUS CONFERENCE

A status conference will be scheduled by the assigned Independent Calendar Judge no later than 270 days after the filing of the complaint. Counsel must be fully prepared to discuss the following issues: alternative dispute resolution, bifurcation, settlement, trial date, and expert witnesses.

FINAL STATUS CONFERENCE

The Court will require the parties to attend a final status conference not more than 10 days before the scheduled trial date. All parties shall have motions in limine, bifurcation motions, statements of major evidentiary issues, dispositive motions, requested form jury instructions, special jury instructions, and special jury verdicts timely filed and served prior to the conference. These matters may be heard and resolved at this conference. At least five days before this conference, counsel must also have exchanged lists of exhibits and witnesses, and have submitted to the court a brief statement of the case to be read to the jury panel as required by Chapter Three of the Los Angeles Superior Court Rules.

SANCTIONS

The court will impose appropriate sanctions for the failure or refusal to comply with Chapter Three Rules, orders made by the Court, and time standards or deadlines established by the Court or by the Chapter Three Rules. Such sanctions may be on a party, or if appropriate, on counsel for a party.

This is not a complete delineation of the Division 7 or Chapter Three Rules, and adherence only to the above provisions is therefore not a guarantee against the imposition of sanctions under Trial Court Delay Reduction. Careful reading and compliance with the actual Chapter Rules is imperative.

Class Actions

Pursuant to Local Rule 2.3, all class actions shall be filed at the Stanley Mosk Courthouse and are randomly assigned to a complex judge at the designated complex courthouse. If the case is found not to be a class action it will be returned to an Independent Calendar Courtroom for all purposes.

*Provisionally Complex Cases

Cases filed as provisionally complex are initially assigned to the Supervising Judge of complex litigation for determination of complex status. If the case is deemed to be complex within the meaning of California Rules of Court 3.400 et seq., it will be randomly assigned to a complex judge at the designated complex courthouse. If the case is found not to be complex, it will be returned to an Independent Calendar Courtroom for all purposes.

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ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (ADR) INFORMATION PACKAGE

THE PLAINTIFF MUST SERVE THIS ADR INFORMATION PACKAGE ON EACH PARTY WITH THE COMPLAINT.

CROSS-COMPLAINANTS must serve this ADR Information Package on any new parties named to the action with the cross-complaint.

What is ADR?

ADR helps people find solutions to their legal disputes without going to trial. The main types of ADR are negotiation, mediation, arbitration, and settlement conferences. When ADR is done by phone, videoconference or computer, it may be called Online Dispute Resolution (ODR). These alternatives to litigation and trial are described below.

Advantages of ADR

- Saves Time: ADR is faster than going to trial.
- Saves Money: Partles can save on court costs, attorney's fees, and witness fees.
- Keeps Control (with the parties): Parties choose their ADR process and provider for voluntary ADR.
- Reduces Stress/Protects Privacy: ADR is done outside the courtroom, in private offices, by phone or online.

Disadvantages of ADR

- Costs: If the parties do not resolve their dispute, they may have to pay for ADR and litigation and trial.
- No Public Trial: ADR does not provide a public trial or a decision by a judge or jury.

Main Types of ADR:

- 1. Negotiation: Parties often talk with each other in person, or by phone or online about resolving their case with a settlement agreement instead of a trial. If the parties have lawyers, they will negotiate for their clients.
- 2. Mediation: In mediation, a neutral mediator listens to each person's concerns, helps them evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of their case, and works with them to try to create a settlement agreement that is acceptable to all. Mediators do not decide the outcome. Parties may go to trial if they decide not to settle.

Mediation may be appropriate when the parties

- want to work out a solution but need help from a neutral person.
- have communication problems or strong emotions that interfere with resolution.

Mediation may not be appropriate when the parties

- want a public trial and want a judge or jury to decide the outcome.
- lack equal bargaining power or have a history of physical/emotional abuse.

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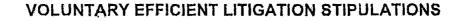
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on	for civil cases is voluntary and partles may select any mediator they wish. Options include:
a.	The Civil Mediation Vendor Resource List
	If all parties agree to mediation, they may contact these organizations to request a "Resource List
!	Mediation" for mediation at reduced cost or no cost (for selected cases):
	ADR Services, Inc. Case Manager patricia@adrservices.com (310) 201-0010 (Ext. 261)
	JAMS, Inc. Senior Case Manager mbinder@lamsadr.com (310) 309-6204
	Mediation Center of Los Angeles (MCLA) Program Manager Info@mediationLA.org (833) 476
	o Only MCLA provides mediation in person, by phone and by videoconference.
Ťh	ese organizations cannot accept every case and they may decline cases at their discretion.
	Visit www.lacourt.org/ADR.Res.List for important information and FAQs before contacting them.
	NOTE: This program does not accept family law, probate, or small claims cases.
þ.	Los Angeles County Dispute Resolution Programs
	https://wdacs.lacounty.gov/programs/dro/
	Small claims, unlawful detainers (evictions) and, at the Spring Street Courthouse, limited c
	o Free, day- of- trial mediations at the courthouse. No appointment needed.
	o Free or low-cost mediations before the day of trial.
	o For free or low-cost Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) by phone or computer befor
	day of trial visit
	http://www.lacourt.org/division/smallclaims/pdf/OnlineDisputeResolutionFlyer-
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- 3. Arbitration: Arbitration is less formal than trial, but like trial, the parties present evidence and arguments to the person who decides the outcome. In "binding" arbitration, the arbitrator's decision is final; there is no right to trial. In "nonbinding" arbitration, any party can request a trial after the arbitrator's decision. For more information about arbitration, visit <u>http://www.courts.ca.gov/programs-adr.htm</u>
- 4. Mandatory Settlement Conferences (MSC): MSCs are ordered by the Court and are often held close to the trial date or on the day of trial. The parties and their attorneys meet with a Judge or settlement officer who does not make a decision but assists the parties in evaluating the strengths and weaknesses of the case and in negotiating a settlement. For information about the Court's MSC programs for civil cases, visit http://www.lacourt.org/division/civil/CI0047.aspx

Los Angeles Superior Court ADR website: http://www.lacourt.org/division/civil/Cl0109.aspx For general information and videos about ADR, visit <u>http://www.courts.ca.gov/programs-adr.htm</u>

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The Early Organizational Meeting Stipulation, Discovery Resolution Stipulation, and Motions in Limine Stipulation are voluntary stipulations entered into by the parties. The parties may enter into one, two, or all three of the stipulations; however, they may not alter the stipulations as written, because the Court wants to ensure uniformity of application. These stipulations are meant to encourage cooperation between the parties and to assist in resolving issues in a manner that promotes economic case resolution and judicial efficiency.

The following organizations endorse the goal of promoting efficiency in litigation and ask that counsel consider using these stipulations as a voluntary way to promote communications and procedures among counsel and with the court to fairly resolve Issues in their cases.

♦Los Angeles County Bar Association Litigation Section ♦

Los Angeles County Bar Association Labor and Employment Law Section

♦ Consumer Attorneys Association of Los Angeles ♦

♦ Southern California Defense Counsel♦

♦Association of Business Trial Lawyers●

♦California Employment Lawyers Association ♦



Superior Court of California County of Los Angeles



Los Angeles County Bar Association Litigation Section

Los Angeles County Bar Association Labor and Employment Law Section



Consumer Attorneys Association of Los Angeles



Southern Californie Defense Counsel



Association of Businoss Trial Lawyers



California Employment Lawyers Association

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NAME AND ADDRESS OF ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY:	STATE GAR NUMBER	Reserved for Clerk's Hin Blamp
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	(Optional):	
E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional):		
ATTORNEY FOR (Name):		4
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, CO		
COURTHOUSE ADDRESS:	1	
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PLAINTIFF:		
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DEFENDANT:	······································	4
		CASE NUMBER:
STIPULATION – EARLY ORGANIZ	ATIONAL MEETING	

This stipulation is intended to encourage cooperation among the parties at an early stage in the litigation and to assist the parties in efficient case resolution.

The parties agree that:

- 1. The parties commit to conduct an initial conference (in-person or via teleconference or via videoconference) within 15 days from the date this stipulation is signed, to discuss and consider whether there can be agreement on the following:
 - a. Are motions to challenge the pleadings necessary? If the issue can be resolved by amendment as of right, or if the Court would allow leave to amend, could an amended complaint resolve most or all of the issues a demurrer might otherwise raise? If so, the parties agree to work through pleading issues so that a demurrer need only raise issues they cannot resolve. Is the issue that the defendant seeks to raise amenable to resolution on demurrer, or would some other type of motion be preferable? Could a voluntary targeted exchange of documents or information by any party cure an uncertainty in the pleadings?
 - b. Initial mutual exchanges of documents at the "core" of the liftgation. (For example, in an employment case, the employment records, personnel file and documents relating to the conduct in question could be considered "core." In a personal injury case, an incident or police report, medical records, and repair or maintenance records could be considered "core.");
 - c. Exchange of names and contact information of witnesses;
 - d. Any Insurance agreement that may be available to satisfy part or all of a judgment, or to indemnify or reimburse for payments made to satisfy a judgment;
 - e. Exchange of any other information that might be helpful to facilitate understanding, handling, or resolution of the case in a manner that preserves objections or privileges by agreement;
 - f. Controlling issues of law that, if resolved early, will promote efficiency and economy in other phases of the case. Also, when and how such issues can be presented to the Court;
 - g. Whether or when the case should be scheduled with a settlement officer, what discovery or court ruling on legal issues is reasonably required to make settlement discussions meaningful, and whether the parties wish to use a sitting judge or a private mediator or other options as

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discussed in the "Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Information Package" served with the complaint;

- h. Computation of damages, including documents, not privileged or protected from disclosure, on which such computation is based;
- i. Whether the case is suitable for the Expedited Jury Trial procedures (see information at <u>www.lacourt.org</u> under "Civii" and then under "General Information").
- 3. The parties will prepare a joint report titled "Joint Status Report Pursuant to Initial Conference and Early Organizational Meeting Stipulation, and if desired, a proposed order summarizing results of their meet and confer and advising the Court of any way it may assist the parties' efficient conduct or resolution of the case. The parties shall attach the Joint Status Report to the Case Management Conference statement, and file the documents when the CMC statement is due.
- 4. References to "days" mean calendar days, unless otherwise noted. If the date for performing any act pursuant to this stipulation fails on a Saturday, Sunday or Court holiday, then the time for performing that act shall be extended to the next Court day

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The following parties stipulate:

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STIPULATION - DISCOV	ERY RESOLUTION	

This stipulation is intended to provide a fast and informal resolution of discovery issues through limited paperwork and an informal conference with the Court to aid in the resolution of the issues.

The parties agree that:

- 1. Prior to the discovery cut-off in this action, no discovery motion shall be filed or heard unless the moving party first makes a written request for an informal Discovery Conference pursuant to the terms of this stipulation.
- 2. At the Informal Discovery Conference the Court will consider the dispute presented by parties and determine whether it can be resolved informally. Nothing set forth herein will preclude a party from making a record at the conclusion of an Informal Discovery Conference, either orally or in writing.
- Following a reasonable and good faith attempt at an informal resolution of each issue to be presented, a party may request an informal Discovery Conference pursuant to the following procedures:
 - a. The party requesting the Informal Discovery Conference will:
 - i. File a Request for Informal Discovery Conference with the clerk's office on the approved form (copy attached) and deliver a courtesy, conformed copy to the assigned department;
 - ii. Include a brief summary of the dispute and specify the relief requested; and
 - iii. Serve the opposing party pursuant to any authorized or agreed method of service that ensures that the opposing party receives the Request for Informal Discovery Conference no later than the next court day following the filing.
 - b. Any Answer to a Request for Informal Discovery Conference must:
 - i. Also be filed on the approved form (copy attached);
 - ii. Include a brief summary of why the requested relief should be denied;

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- iii. Be filed within two (2) court days of receipt of the Request; and
- iv. Be served on the opposing party pursuant to any authorized or agreed upon method of service that ensures that the opposing party receives the Answer no later than the next court day following the filing.
- c. No other pleadings, including but not limited to exhibits, declarations, or attachments, will be accepted.
- d. If the Court has not granted or denied the Request for Informal Discovery Conference within ten (10) days following the filing of the Request, then it shall be deemed to have been denied. If the Court acts on the Request, the parties will be notified whether the Request for Informal Discovery Conference has been granted or denied and, if granted, the date and time of the Informal Discovery Conference, which must be within twenty (20) days of the filing of the Request for Informal Discovery Conference.
- e. If the conference is not held within twenty (20) days of the filing of the Request for Informal Discovery Conference, unless extended by agreement of the parties and the Court, then the Request for the Informal Discovery Conference shall be deemed to have been denied at that time.
- 4. If (a) the Court has denied a conference or (b) one of the time deadlines above has expired without the Court having acted or (c) the Informal Discovery Conference is concluded without resolving the dispute, then a party may file a discovery motion to address unresolved issues.
- 5. The parties hereby further agree that the time for making a motion to compel or other discovery motion is tolled from the date of filling of the Request for Informal Discovery Conference until (a) the request is denied or deemed denied or (b) twenty (20) days after the filling of the Request for Informal Discovery Conference, whichever is earlier, unless extended by Order of the Court.

It is the understanding and intent of the parties that this stipulation shall, for each discovery dispute to which it applies, constitute a writing memorializing a "specific later date to which the propounding [or demanding or requesting] party and the responding party have agreed in writing," within the meaning of Code Civil Procedure sections 2030.300(c), 2031.320(c), and 2033.290(c).

- 6. Nothing herein will preclude any party from applying *ex parte* for appropriate relief, including an order shortening time for a motion to be heard concerning discovery.
- 7. Any party may terminate this stipulation by giving twenty-one (21) days notice of intent to terminate the stipulation.
- 8. References to "days" mean calendar days, unless otherwise noted. If the date for performing any act pursuant to this stipulation falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Court holiday, then the time for performing that act shall be extended to the next Court day.

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This stipulation is intended to provide fast and informal resolution of evidentiary issues through diligent efforts to define and discuss such issues and limit paperwork.

The parties agree that:

- 1. At least _____ days before the final status conference, each party will provide all other parties with a list containing a one paragraph explanation of each proposed motion in limine. Each one paragraph explanation must identify the substance of a single proposed motion in limine and the grounds for the proposed motion.
- 2. The parties thereafter will meet and confer, either in person or via teleconference or videoconference, concerning all proposed motions in limine. In that meet and confer, the parties will determine:
 - a. Whether the parties can stipulate to any of the proposed motions. If the parties so stipulate, they may file a stipulation and proposed order with the Court.
 - b. Whether any of the proposed motions can be briefed and submitted by means of a short joint statement of issues. For each motion which can be addressed by a short joint statement of issues, a short joint statement of issues must be filed with the Court 10 days prior to the final status conference. Each side's portion of the short joint statement of issues may not exceed three pages. The parties will meet and confer to agree on a date and manner for exchanging the parties' respective portions of the short joint statement of issues and the process for filling the short joint statement of issues.
- 3. All proposed motions in limine that are not either the subject of a stipulation or briefed via a short joint statement of issues will be briefed and filed in accordance with the California Rules of Court and the Los Angeles Superior Court Rules.

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ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar number, and address): Edwin Aiwazian SBN 232943 Lawyers For Justice, PC 410 Arden Ave 203 Glendale, CA 91203	FOR COURT USE ONLY
TELEPHONE NO.: (818) 265-1020 FAX NO. (Optional): E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional): FAX NO. (Optional): ATTORNEY FOR (Name): Plaintiff Kyree Wilson	
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES STREET ADDRESS: 111 N Hill St. MAILING ADDRESS: 111 N Hill St. CITY AND ZIP CODE: Los Angeles, CA 90012 BRANCH NAME: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES	
PLAINTIFF/PETITIONER: Kyree Wilson, individually, and on behalf of other members of the general public similarly situated DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT: Ikea North America Services, LLC, an unknown business entity	CASE NUMBER: 20STCV32154
PROOF OF SERVICE SUMMONS	Ref. No. or File No.: Ikea

(Separate proof of service is required for each party served.)

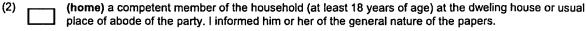
- 1. At the time of service I was at least 18 years of age and not a party to this action.
- 2. I served copies of: Summons; Complaint; Civil Case Cover Sheet; Notice of Case Assignment; ADR Information Packet; Voluntary Efficient Litigation Stipulation;
- a. Party served (specify name of party as shown on documents served): Ikea North America Services, LLC, an unknown business entity
 - b. Rerson (other than the party in item 3a) served on behalf of an entity or as an authorized agent (and not a person under item 5b on whom substituted service was made) (specify name and relationship to the party named in item 3a): Gabriela Sanchez, Authorized to Accept Service for CT Corporation System
- 4. Address where the party was served: 818 W 7th St Ste 930 Los Angeles, CA 90017
- 5. I served the party (check proper box)

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- **by personal service.** I personally delivered the documents listed in item 2 to the party or person authorized to receive service of process for the party (1) on: 9/2/2020 (2) at: 01:36 PM
- **by substituted service.** On: at: I left the documents listed in item 2 with or in the presence of (name and title or relationship to person indicated in item 3):

(1)	(business) a person at least 18 years of age apparently in charge at the office or usual place of business of
	the person to be served. I informed him or her of the general nature of the papers.



- (3) (physical address unknown) a person of at least 18 years of age apparently in charge at the usual mailing address of the person to be served, other than a United States Postal Service post office box. I informed him or her of the general nature of the papers.
- I thereafter mailed (by first-class, postage prepaid) copies of the documents to the person to be served at
 the place where the copies were left (Code Civ. Proc., § 415.20). I mailed the documents:
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or _____ a declaration of mailing is attached.

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(iii) County: Los Angeles

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	DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT:	Ikea North America Services, LLC, an unknown business entity		
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1 declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. 8.

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Bruce Anderson Date: 09/04/2020

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1	PROOF OF SERVICE
2	STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
3 4 5	I am employed in the County of Los Angeles, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action. My business address is 410 West Arden Avenue, Suite 203, Glendale, California 91203.
6 7	On September 4, 2020, I served the foregoing document(s) described as: PROOF OF SERVICE OF SUMMONS [IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC] on interested parties in this action by placing a true and correct copy thereof, enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed as follows:
8 9 10	IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC 818 West 7 th Street, Suite 930 Los Angeles, California 90017
11 12	IKEA US RETAIL LLC 818 West 7 th Street, Suite 930 Los Angeles, California 90017
13 14 15	IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES INC. 818 West 7 th Street, Suite 930 Los Angeles, California 90017
16 17 18 19	[X] BY U.S. MAIL As follows: I am "readily familiar" with the firm's practice of collection and processing correspondence for mailing. Under that practice, it would be deposited with U.S. Postal Service on that day with postage thereon fully prepaid at Los Angeles, California in the ordinary course of business. I am aware that on motion of the party served, service is presumed invalid if postal cancellation date or postage meter date is more than one day after date of deposit for mailing an affidavit.
20 21	 [X] STATE I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct.
22	Executed on September 4, 2020, at Glendale, California.
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LAWYERS for JUSTICE, PC 410 West Arden Avenue, Suite 203 Glendale, California 91203

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ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar number, and address): Edwin Aiwazian SBN 232943 Lawyers For Justice, PC 410 Arden Ave 203 Glendale, CA 91203	FOR COURT USE ONLY
TELEPHONE NO.: (B18) 265-1020 FAX NO. (Optional): E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional): ATTORNEY FOR (Name): Plaintiff Kyree Wilson	
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES STREET ADDRESS: 111 N HIII St. MAILING ADDRESS: 111 N HIII St. CITY AND ZIP CODE: Los Angeles, CA 90012 BRANCH NAME: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES	
PLAINTIFF/PETITIONER: Kyree Wilson, individually, and on behalf of other members of the general public similarly situated DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT: Ikea North America Services, LLC, an unknown business entity	CASE NUMBER: 20STCV32154
PROOF OF SERVICE SUMMONS	Ref. No. or File No.: Ikea

(Separate proof of service is required for each party served.)

- 1. At the time of service I was at least 18 years of age and not a party to this action.
- 2. I served copies of: Summons; Complaint; Civil Case Cover Sheet; Notice of Case Assignment; ADR Information Packet; Voluntary Efficient Litigation Stipulation;
- 3. a. Party served (specify name of party as shown on documents served): Ikea Distribution Services Inc.; an unknown business entity
 - b. Person (other than the party in item 3a) served on behalf of an entity or as an authorized agent (and not a person under item 5b on whom substituted service was made) (specify name and relationship to the party named in item 3a): Gabriel Sanchez, Authorized to Accept Service for CT Corporation System
- 4. Address where the party was served: 818 W 7th St Ste 930 Los Angeles, CA 90017
- 5. I served the party (check proper box)

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- **by personal service**. I personally delivered the documents listed in item 2 to the party or person authorized to receive service of process for the party (1) on: 9/2/2020 (2) at: 01:36 PM
 - by substituted service. On: at: I left the documents listed in item 2 with or in the presence of (name and title or relationship to person indicated in item 3):

(1)	(business) a person at least 18 years of age apparently in charge at the office or usual place of business of the person to be served. I informed him or her of the general nature of the papers.
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- (2) (home) a competent member of the household (at least 18 years of agc) at the dweling house or usual place of abode of the party. I informed him or her of the general nature of the papers.
- (3) (physical address unknown) a person of at least 18 years of age apparently in charge at the usual mailing address of the person to be served, other than a United States Postal Service post office box. I informed him or her of the general nature of the papers.
- (4) I thereafter mailed (by first class, postage prepaid) copies of the documents to the person to be served at
 the place where the copies were left (Code Civ. Proc., § 415.20). I mailed the documents:
 on: from: or a declaration of mailing is attached.

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PLAINTIFF/PETITIONER:	Kyree Wilson, individually, and on behalf of other members of the general public similarly situated	CASE NUMBER: 20STCV32151
DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT:	Ikea North America Services, LLC, an unknown business entity	

8. **I declare** under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Bruce Anderson Date: 09/04/2020

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1	PROOF OF SERVICE
2	STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
3	I am employed in the County of Los Angeles, State of California. I am over the age of 18
4 5	and not a party to the within action. My business address is 410 West Arden Avenue, Suite 203, Glendale, California 91203.
6	On September 4, 2020, 1 served the foregoing document(s) described as: PROOF OF SERVICE OF SUMMONS [IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES INC.] on interested parties
7	in this action by placing a true and correct copy thereof, enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed as follows:
8	IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC
9	818 West 7 th Street, Suite 930 Los Angeles, California 90017
10	IKEA US RETAIL LLC
11 12	818 West 7 th Street, Suite 930
12	Los Angeles, California 90017 IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES INC.
14	818 West 7 th Street, Suite 930
15	Los Angeles, California 90017 [X] BY U.S. MAIL
16	As follows: I am "readily familiar" with the firm's practice of collection and processing
17	correspondence for mailing. Under that practice, it would be deposited with U.S. Postal Service on that day with postage thereon fully prepaid at Los Angeles, California in the
18	ordinary course of business. I am aware that on motion of the party served, service is presumed invalid if postal cancellation date or postage meter date is more than one day
19 20	after date of deposit for mailing an affidavit.
20 21	[X] STATE I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above
22	is true and correct.
23	Executed on September 4, 2020, at Glendale, California.
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ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar number, and address): Edwin Aiwazian SBN 232943 Lawyers For Justice, PC 410 Arden Ave 203 Glendale, CA 91203	FOR COURT USE ONLY
TELEPHONE NO.: (818) 265-1020 FAX NO. (Optional):	
E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional):	
ATTORNEY FOR (Name): Plaintiff Kyree Wilson	
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES STREET ADDRESS: 111 N Hill St. MAILING ADDRESS: 111 N Hill St. CITY AND ZIP CODE: Los Angeles, CA 90012 BRANCH NAME: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES	
PLAINTIFF/PETITIONER: Kyree Wilson, individually, and on behalf of other members of the general public similarly situated	CASE NUMBER: 20STCV32154
DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT: Ikea North America Services, LLC, an unknown business entity	
PROOF OF SERVICE SUMMONS	Ref. No. or File No.: Ikea

(Separate proof of service is required for each party served.)

- 1. At the time of service I was at least 18 years of age and not a party to this action.
- 2. I served copies of: Summons; Complaint; Civil Case Cover Sheet; Notice of Case Assignment; ADR Information Packet; Voluntary Efficient Litigation Stipulation;
- 3. a. Party served (specify name of party as shown on documents served): Ikea US Retail LLC, an unknown business entity
 - b. Person (other than the party in item 3a) served on behalf of an entity or as an authorized agent (and not a person under item 5b on whom substituted service was made) (specify name and relationship to the party named in item 3a): Gabriela Sanchez, Authorized to Accept Service for CT Corporation System
- 4. Address where the party was served: 818 W 7th St Ste 930 Los Angeles, CA 90017

5. I served the party (check proper box)

- a. x by personal service. I personally delivered the documents listed in item 2 to the party or person authorized to receive service of process for the party (1) on: 9/2/2020 (2) at: 01:36 PM
 b. by substituted service. On: at: Lieft the documents listed in item 2 with or in the presence of *(name and tille or and tille or a)*
 - by substituted service. On: at: 1 left the documents listed in item 2 with or in the presence of (name and title or relationship to person indicated in item 3):

(1)	(business) a person at least 18 years of age apparently in charge at the office or usual place of business of
	the person to be served. I informed him or her of the general nature of the papers.

- (2) (home) a competent member of the household (at least 18 years of age) at the dweling house or usual place of abode of the party. I informed him or her of the general nature of the papers.
- (3) (physical address unknown) a person of at least 18 years of age apparently in charge at the usual mailing address of the person to be served, other than a United States Postal Service post office box. I informed him or her of the general nature of the papers.

(4)	I thereafter mailed (by first-class, postage prepaid) copies of the documents to the person to be served				
	the place where the copies were left (Code Civ. Proc., § 415.20). I maile			.20). I mailed the documents:	
	on:	from:	or	a declaration of mailing is attached.	

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ļ	(5) 🚺 I at	tach a declaration of diligence stati	ng actio	ns taken first to attem	pt personal service.
5.		knowledgment of receipt of service in item 4, by first-class mail, postage			ed in item 2 to the party, to the
	(1) on:		(2)	from:	
	· · · · ·	two copies of the Notice and Acknow	• • •		ostage-paid return envelope
	(3) with two copies of the Notice and Acknowledgment of Receipt and a postage-paid return envelope addressed to me. (Attach completed Notice and Acknowledgment of Receipt.) (Code Civ. Proc., § 415.30)				
	(4) to a	n address outside California with retu	ım recei	pt requested. (Code C	Civ. Proc., § 415.40.)
	d by other means	s (specify means of service and authors	orizing o	code section):	
	Additional page	describing service is attached.			
6.	The "Notice to the Person S	erved" (on the summons) was compl	leted as	follows:	
	a. 📃 as an individual				
	b. as the person s	ued under the fictitious name of (spec	cify):	•	
	c. as occupant.				
	d. On behalf of (specify): Ikea US Retail LLC, an unknown business entity under the following Code of Civil Procedure section:				
	416.10	(corporation)	×	415.95 (business or	ganization, form unknown)
	416.20) (defunct corporation)		416.60 (minor)	
	416.30) (joint stock company/association)		416.70 (ward or con	servatee)
	416.40) (association or partnership)		416.90 (authorized p	erson)
	416.50) (public entity)		415.46 (occupant)	
				other:	
7.	Person who served paper	S			
	a. Name: Bruce Anderson				
	b. Address: 7162 Beverly Blvd Suite 508, Los Angeles, CA 90036				
	 c. Telephone number: 800- d. The fee for service was: 				
	e. lam:	ered California process server.			
	(2) exempt from registration under Business and Professions Code section 22350(b).)(h)
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	(i)	owner employee	× ir	ndependent contractor	
	,	tration No.: 2016038577			
	(iii) Count	y: Los Angeles			

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PLAINTIFF/PETITIONER:

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Kyree Wilson, individually, and on behalf of other members of the general public similarly situated Ikea North America Services, LLC, an unknown business entity

CASE NUMBER: 20STCV32154

DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT:

x I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Bruce Anderson Date: 09/04/2020

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1	BROOF OF SERVICE					
2	PROOF OF SERVICE					
	STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES					
3	I am employed in the County of Los Angeles, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action. My business address is 410 West Arden Avenue, Suite 203,					
5	Glendale, California 91203.					
6 7	On September 4, 2020, I served the foregoing document(s) described as: PROOF OF SERVICE OF SUMMONS [IKEA US RETAIL, LLC] on interested parties in this action by placing a true and correct copy thereof, enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed as follows:					
8	IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC					
9	818 West 7 th Street, Suite 930 Los Angeles, California 90017					
10	IKEA US RETAIL LLC					
11	818 West 7 th Street, Suite 930 Los Angeles, California 90017					
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13	IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES INC. 818 West 7 th Street, Suite 930					
14	Los Angeles, California 90017					
15	[X] BY U.S. MAIL As follows: I am "readily familiar" with the firm's practice of collection and processing					
16	correspondence for mailing. Under that practice, it would be deposited with U.S. Postal Service on that day with postage thereon fully prepaid at Los Angeles, California in the					
17 18	ordinary course of business. I am aware that on motion of the party served, service is presumed invalid if postal cancellation date or postage meter date is more than one day after date of deposit for mailing an affidavit.					
19	[X] STATE					
20	I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above					
21	is true and correct.					
22	Executed on September 4, 2020, at Glendale, California.					
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Civil Division

Central District, Spring Street Courthouse, Department 6

20STCV32154 KYREE WILSON, et al. vs IKEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC, et al.

September 1, 2020 12:24 PM

Judicial Officer: None Judicial Assistant: M. Fregoso Courtroom Assistant: None CSR: None ERM: None Deputy Sheriff: None

APPEARANCES:

For Plaintiff(s): No Appearances

For Defendant(s): No Appearances

NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS: Court Order

By this order, the Court determines this case to be Complex according to Rule 3.400 of the California Rules of Court. The Clerk's Office has randomly assigned this case to this department for all purposes.

By this order, the Court stays the case, except for service of the Summons and Complaint. The stay continues at least until the Initial Status Conference. Initial Status Conference is set for 10/26/2020 at 02:00 PM in this department. At least 10 days prior to the Initial Status Conference, counsel for all parties must discuss the issues set forth in the Initial Status Conference Order issued this date. The Initial Status Conference Order is to help the Court and the parties manage this complex case by developing an orderly schedule for briefing, discovery, and court hearings. The parties are informally encouraged to exchange documents and information as may be useful for case evaluation.

Responsive pleadings shall not be filed until further Order of the Court. Parties must file a Notice of Appearance in lieu of an Answer or other responsive pleading. The filing of a Notice of Appearance shall not constitute a waiver of any substantive or procedural challenge to the Complaint. Nothing in this order stays the time for filing an Affidavit of Prejudice pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 170.6.

Counsel are directed to access the following link for information on procedures in the Complex litigation Program courtrooms: http://www.lacourt.org/division/civil/CI0037.aspx

Pursuant to Government Code Sections 70616(a) and 70616(b), a single complex fee of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) must be paid on behalf of all plaintiffs. For defendants, a complex fee of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) must be paid for each defendant, intervenor, respondent or adverse party, not to exceed, for each separate case number, a total of eighteen thousand

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dollars (\$18,000.00), collected from all defendants, intervenors, respondents, or adverse parties. All such fees are ordered to be paid to Los Angeles Superior Court, within 10 days of service of this order.

The plaintiff must serve a copy of this minute order and the attached Initial Status Conference Order on all parties forthwith and file a Proof of Service in this department within 7 days of service.

PARTIES SHALL FILE A JOINT INITIAL STATUS CONFERENCE REPORT 7 DAYS PRIOR TO THE INITIAL STATUS CONFERENCE.

Certificate of Mailing is attached.

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		SEP 01 2020
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		By Deputy Mansela Fregoso
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'	SUPERIOR COURT OF THE ST	ATE OF CALIFORNIA
	FOR THE COUNTY OF	LOS ANGELES
•	KYREE WILSON, RHONDA GUERRERO,	Case No.: 20STCV32154
)	individually, and on behalf of other members of the general public similarly situated,	Case No.: 20310 V32134
		INITIAL STATUS CONFERENCE
:	Plaintiff(s), vs.	ORDER (COMPLEX LITIGATION
;	IDEA NORTH AMERICA SERVICES, LLC, an	PROGRAM)
	unknown business entity; IKEA US RETAIL LLC,	Case Assigned for All purposes to
;	an unknown business entity; IKEA DISTRIBUTION SERVICES INC.; an unknown business entity; and	Judge Elihu M. Berle
5	DOES 1 through 100, inclusive,	Department 6
″	Defendant(s).	Date: October 26, 2020
;		Time: 2:00 p.m.
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This case has been assigned for all purposes to Judge Elihu M. Berle in the Complex Litigation Program. An Initial Status Conference is set for October 26, 2020, at 2:00 p.m. in Department 6 located in the Los Angeles Superior Courts at United States Courthouse at 312 N. Spring Street, Los Angeles, California 90012.

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Counsel for all parties are ordered to attend the Initial Status Conference remotely via LA COURT CONNECT. The attorney portal can be found on the Court's website at lacourt.org. NO PERSONAL APPERANCES WILL BE ALLOWED, unless special permission is granted upon appropriate application.

Plaintiff's counsel is directed to serve a copy of this Initial Status Conference Order on all parties, within five (5) days of service of this order. If any defendant has not yet been served in this action, service is to be completed within twenty (20) days of the date of this order.

The Court orders counsel to prepare for the Initial Status Conference by identifying and discussing the central legal and factual issues in the case. Counsel for plaintiff is ordered to initiate contact with counsel for defense to begin this process. Counsel then must negotiate and agree, as possible, on a case management plan.

Counsel must file a Joint Initial Status Conference Statement seven (7) calendar days before the Initial Status Conference. The Joint Initial Status Conference Statement must be filed on line-numbered pleading paper and must specifically address each of the below numbered items. Do not use the Judicial Council Form CM-110 (Case Management Statement).

- 1. **PARTIES AND COUNSEL:** Please list all presently named plaintiffs and/or class representatives and presently named defendants, together with all counsel of record, including counsel's contact and email information.
- 2. ELECTRONIC SERVICE OF PAPERS: for administrative efficiency and conservation of resource for the parties and court, the complex program requires the parties in every new case to use a third-party cloud service, such as:
 - Case Anywhere (<u>www.caseanywhere.com</u>),

<u>EXH F p</u>g. 16 **89** ■ CaseHomePage (<u>www.casehomepage,com</u>), or

■ File&ServeXpress (<u>www.lexisnexis.com/fileandserve</u>).

The parties are to select one of these vendors and submit the parties' choice when filing the Joint Initial Status Conference Statement. If the parties cannot agree, the court will select the vendor at the Initial Status Conference. Electronic service is not the same as electronic filing. Only traditional methods of filing by physical delivery of original papers or by fax filing are presently available.

3. CLAIMS AND DEFENSES: Set forth a brief description of the core factual and legal issues, derived from Plaintiff's claims and defendant's defenses.

4. POTENTIAL ADDITIONAL PARTIES: Does any plaintiff presently intend to add more plaintiffs and/or class representatives? If so, and if known, by what date and by what name will these parties be identified? Does any plaintiff presently intend to name more defendants? If so, and if known, by what date and by what name will these defendants be identified? Does any appearing defendant presently intend to file a cross-complaint? If so, who will be named as a cross-defendant?

5. IMPROPERLY NAMED DEFENDANT(S): Does any party contend that the complaint names the wrong person or entity, please explain.

6. (For class actions) ADEQUACY OF PROPOSED CLASS REPRESENTATIVE(S): Does any party contend one or more named plaintiffs might not be an adequate class representative. If so, please explain.

7. (For class actions) FOR CLASS ACTIONS ESTIMATED SIZE: What is the estimated size of the putative class?

8. (For class actions) OTHER ACTIONS WITH OVERLAPPING CLASS **DEFINITIONS:** Are there other cases with overlapping class definitions? If so, please identify the court, the short caption title, the docket number, and the case status.

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9. ARBITRATION AGREEMENTS AND/OR CLASS ACTION

WAIVER CLAUSES: Does any party contend there is an arbitration agreement and/or class action waiver. If so, please discuss.

10. POTENTIAL EARLY CRUCIAL MOTIONS: Are there any issues that can be identified and resolved early. If so, please identify and set forth proposed procedures for resolution.

PLEASE NOTE: By stipulation a party may move for summary adjudication of a legal issues or a claim for damages that does not completely dispose of a cause of action, an affirmative defense, or an issue of duty. (C.C.P. § 437c(t)).

11. PROTECTIVE ORDERS: Parties considering an order to protect
confidential information from general disclosure should consider the model protective
orders found on the Los Angeles Superior Court Website under "Civil Tools for
Litigators."

12. DISCOVERY: Counsel are to discuss a plan of discovery. In class actions, prior to class certification, the court generally allows discovery on matters relevant to class certification, which depending on circumstances, sometimes may include some factual issues also touching the merits.

13. INSURANCE COVERAGE: Please state (1) if there is insurance for indemnity or reimbursement, and (2) whether there are any insurance coverage issues which might affect settlement.

14. ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION: Counsel are requested to discuss ADR and proposed neutrals to conduct such proceedings.

15. TIMELINE FOR CASE MANAGEMENT: Counsel to propose future dates for:

- The next status conference,
- A schedule for alternative dispute resolution,
- A filing deadline for the motion for class certification, and
- Filing deadlines and descriptions for other anticipated non-discovery motions.

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1 **PENDING FURTHER ORDERS OF THIS COURT**, and except as otherwise 2 provided in this Initial Status Conference Order, these proceedings are staved, except for service of summons and complaint and filing of Notice of Appearance. This stay shall 3 preclude the filing of any answer, demurrer, motion to strike, or motions challenging the 4 jurisdiction of the Court. Any defendant may file a Notice of Appearance for purposes of 5 6 identification of counsel and preparation of a service list. The filing such a Notice of 7 Appearance shall be without prejudice to any challenge to the jurisdiction of the Court, 8 substantive or procedural challenges to the Complaint, any affirmative defense, and the 9 filing of any cross-complaint in this action. This stay is issued to assist the Court and the parties in managing this "complex" case. Although the stay applied to discovery, this stay 10 11 shall not preclude the parties from informally exchanging documents that may assist in 12 their initial evaluation of the issues presented in this case. 13 14 15 16 17 18 SEP 0 1 2020 19 Dated: HON. ELIHU M. BERLE 20 JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 -5-EXH F dg. 19 INITIAL STATUS CONFERENCE ORDER (COMPLEX LITIGATION PROGRAM) 92

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES	Reserved for Clerk's File Stamp
COURTHOUSE ADDRESS: Spring Street Courthouse 312 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012	FILED Superior Court of California County of Los Angeles 09/01/2020
PLAINTIFF/PETITIONER: Kyree Wilson et al	Sherri R. Carter, Executive Officer / Clerk of Court By: M. Fregoso Deputy
DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT: Ikea North America Services, LLC et al	
CERTIFICATE OF MAILING	CASE NUMBER: 20STCV32154

I, the below-named Executive Officer/Clerk of the above-entitled court, do hereby certify that I am not a party to the cause herein, and that on this date I served the Minute Order (Court Order) of 09/01/2020, Initial Status Conference Order upon each party or counsel named below by placing the document for collection and mailing so as to cause it to be deposited in the United States mail at the courthouse in Los Angeles, California, one copy of the original filed/entered herein in a separate sealed envelope to each address as shown below with the postage thereon fully prepaid, in accordance with standard court practices.

Edwin Aiwazian LAWYERS for JUSTICE, PC 410 Arden Ave Ste 203 Glendale, CA 91203

Sherri R. Carter, Executive Officer / Clerk of Court

By: <u>M. Fregoso</u> Deputy Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

ClassAction.org

This complaint is part of ClassAction.org's searchable class action lawsuit database and can be found in this post: <u>Class Action Claims California Ikea Employees Denied Proper Wages, Uninterrupted Breaks</u>