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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

RAYMOND FOREMAN, by and through his Attorney in Fact LaTonya Foreman.

Plaintiff,

SHLOMO RECHNITZ; BRIUS MANAGEMENT CO., INC.; BRIUS, LLC; SOL HEALTHCARE, LLC; B-EAST, LLC; B-SAN DIEGO, LLC; B-SPRING VALLEY. LLC; POINT LLC: CNRC, LOMA CENTER, REHABILITATION LLC; CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING & CENTRE WELLNESS WEST, CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING WELLNESS CENTRE EAST. HIGHLAND PARK SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC; LAIBCO, LLC SOUTH PASADENA REHABILITATION CENTER LLC; LIGHTHOUSE HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC; VERNON HEALTHCARE, LLC; NORWALK SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC: VERDUGO VALLEY SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC; MAYWOOD SKILLED NURSING WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC; WISH-I-AH HEALTHCARE WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC; FRESNO NURSING & CENTRE, LLC; OAKHURST HEALTHCARE WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC; EUREKA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER. LLC; GRANADA REHABILITATION WELLNESS CENTER, LP; REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, **SEAVIEW** REHABILITATION WELLNESS CENTER. LP: FORTUNA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, GRANITE HILLS HEALTHCARE

CASE NO.

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CLASS ACTION

COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES

Violation of the Consumer Legal Remedies Act (Civil Code §1750, et seq.)

Violation of Business and Fressions of Code §§17200, et seq. and 17500, et geq.

Fraud (Randi W. v. Murocs (1997) 14 4 Cal.4th 1066; McGall & Pacificure Cal., Inc. (2001) 25 3 3 15 412).

Violation of Resident Rights (Health & 000.00 Saf. Code §1430(b))

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WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC; CLAIREMONT HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS LLC; SOLNUS ONE, LLC; SOLNUS TWO SOLNUS THREE, LLC: SOLNUS FOUR, LLC; SOLNUS FIVE, LLC; SOLNUS SIX, LLC; SOLNUS SEVEN, LLC; SOLNUS EIGHT, LLC: LAWNDALE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC: HEALTHCARE CENTER OF DOWNEY LLC; SAN MARINO GARDENS WELLNESS CENTER, NOTELLAGE **FOUR** CORPORATION; **SEASONS** HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LP: ALHAMBRA HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP: MESA CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL INC. FULLERTON HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP; HAWTHORNE HEALTHCARE WELLNESS CENTRE, HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP: NOVATO HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC: OXNARD MANOR. LP: **POMONA** HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER. PINE **GROVE** HEALTHCARE WELLNESS CENTRE, LP; SAN GABRIEL HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP; SAN RAFAEL HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive,

Defendants.

Plaintiff RAYMOND FOREMAN, by and through his Attorney in Fact LaTonya Foreman, on behalf of himself and similarly situated California consumers, based on information and belief and the investigation of counsel, except for information based on personal knowledge, hereby alleges as follows:

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1. <u>Plaintiff Class</u>.

The class sought to be represented is defined as follows:

a. <u>Plaintiff Subclass One: "Private Pay Residents-First, Second, and Third Causes of Action"</u>.

The first subclass sought to be represented in this action as it relates to the First, Second, Third and Fourth Causes of Action only, is defined as follows: all persons who were resided in (or continue

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to reside in) California skilled nursing facilities owned, operated, and/or managed by the defendants named herein at any time within the three years prior to the filing of this Complaint through the date of the final disposition of this action wherein the Defendants were reimbursed for services provided to "class member" by private pay and/or privately acquired insurance and/or any HMO or PPO. The subclass does not include: (a) any officers, directors or employees of the Defendants; (b) any judge assigned to hear this case (or spouse or family member of any assigned judge); (c) any juror selected to hear this case.

b. Plaintiff Subclass Two: "All Residents-First, Second, and Third Causes of Action"

The second subclass sought to be represented in this action as it relates to the First, Second, and Third Causes of Action only, is defined as follows: all persons who were resided in (or continue to reside in) California skilled nursing facilities owned, operated, and/or managed by the defendants named herein at any time within the three years prior to the filing of this Complaint through the date of the final disposition of this action. The class does not include: (a) any officers, directors or employees of the Defendants; (b) any judge assigned to hear this case (or spouse or family member of any assigned judge); (c) any juror selected to hear this case. This subclass shall seek attorneys' fees and costs only.

c. Plaintiff Subclass Three "Health & Safety Code Section 1430(b) Violations"

The third subclass sought to be represented in this action as it relates to the Fourth Cause of Action only, is defined as follows: all persons who were resided in (or continue to reside in) California skilled nursing facilities owned, operated, and/or managed by the defendants named herein at any time within the three years prior to the filing of this Complaint through the date of the final disposition of this action regardless of the manner in which Defendants were reimbursed for services. The class does not include: (a) any officers, directors or employees of the Defendants; (b) any judge assigned to hear this case (or spouse or family member of any assigned judge); (c) any juror selected to hear this case.

2. <u>Individual Plaintiff/Class Representative.</u> The individually-named plaintiff, Raymond Foreman, is a former resident of one of the skilled nursing facilities owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the defendants in the State of California. He was a resident of one of the Defendants' facilities which are uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the

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defendants SHLOMO RECHNITZ; BRIUS MANAGEMENT CO., INC.; BRIUS, LLC; SOL MANAGEMENT, LLC., and DOES 1 through 100, in the State of California who entered into a standard and uniformly utilized admission agreement with the Defendants and who reasonably and justifiably relied upon the terms and representations set forth in the standard and uniformly utilized admission agreement in entering into the admission agreement and in becoming a resident of Defendant CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE-WEST, LLC doing business as Centinela Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre - West, one of the skilled nursing facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the Defendant SHLOMO RECHNITZ; BRIUS MANAGEMENT CO., INC.; BRIUS, LLC; SOL MANAGEMENT, LLC., and DOES 1 through 100, in the State of California. Plaintiff is a "person," a "senior citizen," and a "consumer" as defined by Civil Code §1761 in that she is an individual over the age of 65 years who sought or acquired, by purchase or lease, services for personal purposes.

During the admissions process and prior to becoming a resident of CENTINELA 3. SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE-WEST, LLC doing business as Centinela Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre - West, as uniformly controlled and operated by SHLOMO RECHNITZ; BRIUS MANAGEMENT CO., INC.; BRIUS, LLC; SOL MANAGEMENT, LLC., and DOES 1 through 100, the admissions coordinator of CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE-WEST, LLC presented Plaintiff Raymond Foreman with a standard admission agreement containing the resident bill of rights as an attachment to the admission agreement as mandated by Health & Safety Code §1599.74. Plaintiff Raymond Foreman read and understood the standard admission agreement and relied upon the material terms contained therein. In reliance on the terms of the standard admission agreement, Plaintiff Raymond Foreman decided to become a resident of CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE-WEST, LLC doing business as Centinela Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre - West, as uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the defendants SHLOMO RECHNITZ; BRIUS MANAGEMENT CO., INC.; BRIUS, LLC; SOL MANAGEMENT, LLC., and DOES 1 through 100, signed the admission agreement and became a resident of CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE-WEST, LLC doing business as Centinela Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre - West. During his residency at

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CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE-WEST, LLC doing business as Centinela Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre - West, Plaintiff had paid for services provided by the Defendants via private pay and/or privately acquired insurance.

- 4. <u>Defendants</u>. Plaintiff is informed and believes that Defendant SHLOMO RECHNITZ; BRIUS MANAGEMENT CO., INC.; BRIUS, LLC; SOL MANAGEMENT, LLC., and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive (hereinafter sometimes collectively referred to as "MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS") regularly conduct business in the State of California, and directly or through their wholly-owned subsidiaries enumerated below owned, licensed, operated, administered, managed, directed, and/or controlled fifty-seven (57) skilled nursing facilities in the State of California. SHLOMO RECHNITZ exerts total and consistent operational control over the other MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS, and in turn, the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS exert total and consistent operational control over each of the defendant facilities such that the independent facility defendants are merely alter-egos of the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS. The MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS establish, implement and enforce a uniform system of advertising at the facility level predicated upon misrepresentations to the general public as to the standards and quality of services performed in the facilities. In reality the independent facilities are a sham: there is no independence; the facilities are all owned, controlled and operated by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS. The fiction of independence is created by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS as a legally perverted mechanism to escape liability for the uniform misbehavior mandated by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS at each of the named facility defendants.
- Defendant B-EAST, LLC dba Presidio Health Care Center is the licensee, owner, 5. and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 8625 Lamar Street, Spring Valley, California 92077. Defendant B-EAST, LLC dba Presidio Health Care Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant B-EAST, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- Defendant B-SAN DIEGO, LLC dba Brighton Place San Diego is the licensee, 6. owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 1350 Euclid Avenue, San Diego,

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California 92105. Defendant B-SAN DIEGO, LLC dba Brighton Place - San Diego is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant B-SAN DIEGO, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.

- 7. Defendant B-SPRING VALLEY, LLC dba Brighton Place - Spring Valley is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 9009 Campo Road, Spring Valley, California 92077. Defendant B-SPRING VALLEY, LLC dba Brighton Place - Spring Valley is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant B-SPRING VALLEY, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- 8. Defendant CNRC, LLC dba California Nursing & Rehabilitation Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 2299 North Indian Avenue, Palm Springs, California 92262. Defendant CNRC, LLC dba California Nursing & Rehabilitation Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant CNRC, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- 9. Defendant POINT LOMA REHABILITATION CENTER, LLC dba Point Loma Convalescent Hospital is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 3202 Duke Street, San Diego, California 92110. Defendant POINT LOMA REHABILITATION CENTER, LLC dba Point Loma Convalescent Hospital is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant POINT LOMA REHABILITATION CENTER, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- Defendant CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE WEST, 10. LLC dba Centinela Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre - West is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 950 South Flower Street, Inglewood, California 90301. Defendant CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE - WEST, LLC dba Centinela Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre - West is one of the facilities uniformly owned,

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- 11. Defendant CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE EAST dba Centinela Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre East is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 1001 South Osage Avenue, Inglewood, California 90301. Defendant CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE EAST, LLC dba Centinela Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre East is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE EAST, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- 12. Defendant HIGHLAND PARK SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Highland Park Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 5125 Monte Vista Street, Los Angeles, California 90042. Defendant HIGHLAND PARK SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Highland Park Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant HIGHLAND PARK SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- Defendant LAIBCO, LLC dba Las Flores Convalescent Hospital is the licensee, owner, 13. and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 14165 Purche Avenue, Gardena, California 90249. Defendant LAIBCO, LLC dba Las Flores Convalescent Hospital is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant LAIBCO, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- 14. Defendant SOUTH PASADENA REHABILITATION CENTER, LLC dba South Pasadena Convalescent Hospital is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 904 Mission Street, South Pasadena, California 91030. Defendant SOUTH PASADENA

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REHABILITATION CENTER, LLC dba South Pasadena Convalescent Hospital is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant SOUTH PASADENA REHABILITATION CENTER, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.

- 15. Defendant LIGHTHOUSE HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC dba Lighthouse Healthcare Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 2222 Santa Ana Boulevard South, Los Angeles, California 90059. Defendant LIGHTHOUSE HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC dba Lighthouse Healthcare Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant LIGHTHOUSE HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- 16. Defendant VERNON HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC dba Vernon Healthcare Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 1037 West Vernon Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90037. Defendant VERNON HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC dba Vernon Healthcare Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant VERNON HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- 17. Defendant NORWALK SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Norwalk Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 11510 Imperial Highway, Norwalk, California 90650. Defendant NORWALK SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Norwalk Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant NORWALK SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
 - Defendant VERDUGO VALLEY SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, 18.

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LLC dba Verdugo Valley Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre, is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 2635 Honolulu Avenue, Montrose, California 91020. Defendant VERDUGO VALLEY SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Verdugo Valley Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant VERDUGO VALLEY SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.

- Defendant MAYWOOD SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba 19. Maywood Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 6025 Pine Avenue, Maywood, California 90270. Defendant MAYWOOD SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Maywood Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant MAYWOOD SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- 20. Defendant WISH-I-AH HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Wish-I-Ah is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 35680 North Wish-I-Ah Road, Auberry, California 93602. Defendant WISH-I-AH HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Wish-I-Ah is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant WISH-I-AH HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- Defendant FRESNO SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba The 21. Rehabilitation Center of Fresno is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 1665 M Street, Fresno, California 93721. Defendant FRESNO SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba The Rehabilitation Center of Fresno is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant FRESNO SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC is

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a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.

- Defendant OAKHURST HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba 22. Oakhurst Healthcare & Wellness Centre is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 40131 Highway 49, Oakhurst, California 93644. Defendant OAKHURST HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Oakhurst Healthcare & Wellness Centre is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant OAKHURST HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- Defendant EUREKA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Eureka 23. Rehabilitation & Wellness Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 2353 Twenty-Third Street, Eureka, California 95501. Defendant EUREKA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Eureka Rehabilitation & Wellness Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant EUREKA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited partnership.
- Defendant GRANADA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba 24. Granada Rehabilitation & Wellness Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 2885 Harris Street, Eureka, California 95503. Defendant GRANADA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Granada Rehabilitation & Wellness Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant GRANADA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited partnership.
- Defendant PACIFIC REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Pacific 25. Rehabilitation & Wellness Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at Harrison Avenue, Eureka, California 95501. Defendant PACIFIC 2211 REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Pacific Rehabilitation & Wellness Center is

one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant PACIFIC REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP is a "person" within the meaning of *Civil Code* §1761 in that it is a limited partnership.

- 26. Defendant SEAVIEW REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Seaview Rehabilitation & Wellness Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 6400 Purdue Drive, Eureka, California 95503. Defendant SEAVIEW REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Seaview Rehabilitation & Wellness Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant SEAVIEW REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP is a "person" within the meaning of *Civil Code* §1761 in that it is a limited partnership.
- 27. Defendant FORTUNA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Fortuna Rehabilitation & Wellness Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 2321 Newburg Road, Fortuna, California 95540. Defendant FORTUNA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Fortuna Rehabilitation & Wellness Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant FORTUNA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP is a "person" within the meaning of *Civil Code* §1761 in that it is a limited partnership.
- 28. Defendant GRANITE HILLS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Granite Hills Healthcare & Wellness Centre is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 1340 E. Madison Avenue, El Cajon, California 92021. Defendant GRANITE HILLS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Granite Hills Healthcare & Wellness Centre is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant GRANITE HILLS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of *Civil Code* §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
 - 29. Defendant CLAIREMONT HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba

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Clairemont Healthcare & Wellness Centre is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 8060 Frost Street, San Diego, California 92123. Defendant CLAIREMONT HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Clairemont Healthcare & Wellness Centre is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant CLAIREMONT HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.

- Defendant IMPERIAL HEIGHTS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC 30. dba Imperial Heights Healthcare & Wellness Centre is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 320 West Cattle Call Drive, Brawley, California 92227. Defendant IMPERIAL HEIGHTS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Imperial Heights Healthcare & Wellness Centre is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant IMPERIAL HEIGHTS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- Defendant RIVERSIDE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Alta 31. Vista Healthcare & Wellness Centre is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 9020 Garfield Avenue, Riverside, California 92503. Defendant B RIVERSIDE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Alta Vista Healthcare & Wellness Centre is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant RIVERSIDE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- Defendant ORANGE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Orange 32. Healthcare & Wellness Centre is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 920 West La Veta Street, Orange, California 92668. Defendant ORANGE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Orange Healthcare & Wellness Centre is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in

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the State of California. Defendant ORANGE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.

- 33. Defendant BAKERSFIELD HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba The Rehabilitation Center of Bakersfield is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 2211 Mount Vernon Avenue, Bakersfield, California 93306. Defendant BAKERSFIELD HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba The Rehabilitation Center of Bakersfield is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant BAKERSFIELD HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- 34. Defendant GRIDLEY HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Gridley Healthcare & Wellness Centre is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 246 Spruce Street, Gridley, California 95948. Defendant GRIDLEY HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Gridley Healthcare & Wellness Centre is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant GRIDLEY HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- 35. Defendant INDIO HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Desert Springs Healthcare & Wellness Centre is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 82262 Valencia Street, Indio, California 92201. Defendant INDIO HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Desert Springs Healthcare & Wellness Centre is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant INDIO HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- 36. Defendant SKYLINE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Skyline Healthcare & Wellness Center - Los Angeles is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 3032 Rowena Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90039. Defendant SKYLINE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Skyline Healthcare & Wellness

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Center – Los Angeles is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant SKYLINE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.

- 37. Defendant DRIFTWOOD HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Driftwood Healthcare & Wellness Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 4109 Emerald Avenue, Torrance, California 90503. Defendant DRIFTWOOD HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Driftwood Healthcare & Wellness Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant DRIFTWOOD HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- 38. Defendant SOLNUS ONE, LLC dba Alameda Healthcare & Wellness Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 430 Willow Street, Alameda, California 94501. Defendant SOLNUS ONE, LLC dba Alameda Healthcare & Wellness Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant SOLNUS ONE, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- 39. Defendant SOLNUS FOUR, LLC dba San Pablo Healthcare & Wellness Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 13328 San Pablo Avenue, San Pablo, California 94806. Defendant SOLNUS FOUR, LLC dba San Pablo Healthcare & Wellness Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant SOLNUS FOUR, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- 40. Defendant SOLNUS FIVE, LLC dba Hayward Healthcare & Wellness Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 1805 West Street, Hayward, California 94545. Defendant SOLNUS FIVE, LLC dba Hayward Healthcare & Wellness Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT

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DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant SOLNUS FIVE, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.

- 41. Defendant SOLNUS SIX, LLC dba San Jose Healthcare & Wellness Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 75 North Thirteenth Street, San Jose, California 95112. Defendant SOLNUS SIX, LLC dba San Jose Healthcare & Wellness Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant SOLNUS SIX, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- 42. Defendant SOLNUS TWO, LLC dba Oakland Healthcare & Wellness Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 3030 Webster Street, Oakland, California 94609. Defendant SOLNUS TWO, LLC dba Oakland Healthcare & Wellness Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant SOLNUS TWO, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- 43. Defendant SOLNUS SEVEN, LLC dba Cupertino Healthcare & Wellness Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 22590 Voss Avenue, Cupertino, California 95014. Defendant SOLNUS SEVEN, LLC dba Cupertino Healthcare & Wellness Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant SOLNUS SEVEN, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- Defendant SOLNUS THREE, LLC dba Roseville Point Healthcare & Wellness Center 44. is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 600 Sunrise Avenue, Roseville, California 95661. Defendant SOLNUS THREE, LLC dba Roseville Point Healthcare & Wellness Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant SOLNUS THREE, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- 45. Defendant SOLNUS EIGHT, LLC dba The Rehabilitation Center of Oakland is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 210 Fortieth Street, Oakland,

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California 94611. Defendant SOLNUS EIGHT, LLC dba The Rehabilitation Center of Oakland is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant SOLNUS EIGHT, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.

- 46. Defendant LAWNDALE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Lawndale Care Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 15100 South Prairie Avenue, Lawndale, California 90260. Defendant LAWNDALE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Lawndale Care Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant LAWNDALE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- 47. Defendant THE HEALTHCARE CENTER OF DOWNEY, LLC dba Lakewood Park Health Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 12023 South Lakewood Boulevard, Downey, California 90242. Defendant THE HEALTHCARE CENTER OF DOWNEY, LLC dba Lakewood Park Health Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant THE HEALTHCARE CENTER OF DOWNEY, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited liability company.
- 48. Defendant SAN MARINO GARDENS WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Pasadena Park Healthcare & Wellness Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 2585 East Washington Boulevard, Pasadena, California 91107. Defendant SAN MARINO GARDENS WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Pasadena Park Healthcare & Wellness Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant SAN MARINO GARDENS WELLNESS CENTER, LP is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited partnership.
- 49. Defendant NOTELLAGE, INC. dba College Vista Convalescent Hospital is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 4681 Eagle Rock Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90041. Defendant NOTELLAGE, INC. dba College Vista Convalescent

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Hospital is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant NOTELLAGE, INC. is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a corporation.

- 50. Defendant FOUR SEASONS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Four Seasons Healthcare & Wellness Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 5335 Laurel Canyon Boulevard, North Hollywood, California 91607. Defendant FOUR SEASONS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Four Seasons Healthcare & Wellness Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant FOUR SEASONS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LP is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited partnership.
- 51. Defendant ALHAMBRA HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP dba Alhambra Healthcare & Wellness Centre is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 415 S. Garfield Avenue, Alhambra, California 91801. Defendant ALHAMBRA HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP dba Alhambra Healthcare & Wellness Centre is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant ALHAMBRA HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited partnership.
- 52. Defendant MESA VERDE CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL, INC. dba Mesa Verde Convalescent Hospital is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 661 Center Street, Costa Mesa, California 92627. Defendant MESA VERDE CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL, INC. dba Mesa Verde Convalescent Hospital is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant MESA VERDE CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL, INC. is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited partnership.
- 53. Defendant FULLERTON HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP dba Fullerton Healthcare & Wellness Centre is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 2222 North Harbor Boulevard, Fullerton, California 92835. Defendant FULLERTON

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HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP dba Fullerton Healthcare & Wellness Centre is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant FULLERTON HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited partnership.

- Defendant HAWTHORNE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba 54. Hawthorne Healthcare & Wellness Centre is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 11630 Grevillea Avenue, Hawthorne, California 90250. Defendant HAWTHORNE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Hawthorne Healthcare & Wellness Centre is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant HAWTHORNE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC, is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited partnership.
- 55. Defendant YORK HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP dba York Healthcare & Wellness Centre is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 6071 York Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90042. Defendant YORK HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP dba York Healthcare & Wellness Centre is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant YORK HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited partnership.
- 56. Defendant NOVATO HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC dba Novato Healthcare Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 1565 Hill Road, Novato, California 94947. Defendant NOVATO HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC dba Novato Healthcare Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant NOVATO HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited partnership.
- 57. Defendant OXNARD MANOR, LP dba Oxnard Manor Healthcare Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 1400 W. Gonzales Road,

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Oxnard, California 93030. Defendant OXNARD MANOR, LP dba Oxnard Manor Healthcare Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant OXNARD MANOR, LP is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited partnership.

- 58. Defendant POMONA HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Park Avenue Healthcare & Wellness Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 1550 North Park Avenue, Pomona, California 91768. Defendant POMONA HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Park Avenue Healthcare & Wellness Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant POMONA HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited partnership.
- 59. Defendant PINE GROVE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP dba Pine Grove Healthcare & Wellness Centre is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 126 North San Gabriel Boulevard, San Gabriel, California 91775. Defendant PINE GROVE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP dba Pine Grove Healthcare & Wellness Centre is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant PINE GROVE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited partnership.
- 60. Defendant SAN GABRIEL HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP dba Ivy Creek Healthcare & Wellness Centre is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 115 Bridge Street, San Gabriel, California 91775. Defendant SAN GABRIEL HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP dba Ivy Creek Healthcare & Wellness Centre is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant SAN GABRIEL HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited partnership.

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61. Defendant SAN RAFAEL HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP dba San Rafael Healthcare & Wellness Center is the licensee, owner, and/or operator of a skilled nursing facility located at 1601 Fifth Avenue, San Rafael, California 94901. Defendant SAN RAFAEL HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP dba San Rafael Healthcare & Wellness Center is one of the facilities uniformly owned, operated, managed and/or controlled by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS in the State of California. Defendant SAN RAFAEL HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP is a "person" within the meaning of Civil Code §1761 in that it is a limited partnership (hereinafter the licensees of the defendant Facilities set forth hereinabove in paragraphs 5 through 61 inclusive, shall sometimes be referred to collectively as the "LICENSEES" and the LICENSEES and MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS shall be referred to collectively as the DEFENDANTS).

62. At all times herein mentioned, DEFENDANTS have all regularly conducted business throughout the State of California, including, but not limited to, the ownership, licensing, administration, operation, management, and/or supervision of numerous facilities providing long term and/or skilled nursing care for elderly patients. The Defendants operated at least fifty-seven (57) such facilities during the class period and/or a portion of the class period within the State of California. Each of these facilities is a "skilled nursing facility" as defined in Health & Safety Code §1250. The "Facilities" include, without limitation: Presidio Healthcare Center; Brighton Place - San Diego; Brighton Place - Spring Valley; California Nursing & Rehabilitation Center; Point Loma Convalescent Hospital; Centinela Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre - West; Centinela Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre - East; Highland Park Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre; Las Flores Convalescent Hospital; South Pasadena Convalescent Hospital; Lighthouse Healthcare Center; Vernon Healthcare Center; Norwalk Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre; Verdugo Valley Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre; Maywood Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre; Wish-I-Ah Healthcare & Wellness Center; The Rehabilitation Center of Fresno; Oakhurst Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre; Eureka Rehabilitation & Wellness Center; Granada Rehabilitation & Wellness Center; Pacific Rehabilitation & Wellness Center; Seaview Rehabilitation & Wellness Center; Fortuna Rehabilitation & Wellness Center; Granite Hills Healthcare & Wellness Centre; Clairemont Healthcare & Wellness

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Centre; Imperial Heights Healthcare & Wellness Centre; Alta Vista Healthcare & Wellness Centre; Orange Healthcare & Wellness Centre; The Rehabilitation Center of Bakersfield; Gridley Healthcare & Wellness Centre; Desert Springs Healthcare & Wellness Centre; Skyline Healthcare Center - Los Angeles; Driftwood Healthcare Center; Alameda Healthcare & Wellness Center; San Pablo Healthcare & Wellness Center; Hayward Healthcare & Wellness Center; San Jose Healthcare & Wellness Center; Oakland Healthcare & Wellness Center; Cupertino Healthcare & Wellness Center; Roseville Point Healthcare & Wellness Center; The Rehabilitation Center of Oakland; Lawndale Care Center; Lakewood Park Health Center; Pasadena Park Healthcare & Wellness Center; College Vista Convalescent Hospital; Four Seasons Healthcare & Wellness Center; Alhambra Healthcare & Wellness Centre; Mesa Verde Convalescent Hospital; Fullerton Healthcare & Wellness Centre; Hawthorne Healthcare & Wellness Centre; York Healthcare & Wellness Centre; Novato Healthcare Center; Oxnard Manor Healthcare Center; Park Avenue Healthcare & Wellness Center; Pine Grove Healthcare & Wellness Centre; Ivy Creek Healthcare & Wellness Centre; and San Rafael Healthcare & Wellness Center.

- 63. Defendant Does 1-50. Plaintiffs are unaware of the true names and capacities of Does 1 through 50, inclusive, and therefore sue such defendants by fictitious names. Plaintiffs will amend the Complaint to show the true names and capacities of the fictitiously named defendants when they are ascertained. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and on that basis allege, that Does 1 through 50 are individuals who are the agents, employees and/or representatives of the named defendants. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and on that basis allege, that Does 1 through 50 are individuals who are the agents, employees, and/or representatives of the named defendants. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and on that basis allege, that the fictitiously named defendants are liable to Plaintiff and the class members, and each of them, for the conduct and damages alleged herein.
- Defendant Does 51-100. Plaintiff is unaware of the true names and capacities of Does 64. 51 through 100, inclusive, and therefore sues such defendants by fictitious names. Plaintiffs will amend the Complaint to show the true names and capacities of the fictitiously named defendants when they are ascertained. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and on that basis allege, that Does 51 through 100 are corporate entities that are the agents, joint employers, and/or representatives of the named

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defendants. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and on that basis allege, that the fictitiously named defendants are liable to plaintiffs and the class members, and each of them, for the conduct and damages alleged herein.

65. On information and belief, at all times herein mentioned, defendants, and each of them, was the agent, partner, joint venturer, representative, and/or employee of the remaining defendants, and was acting within the course and scope of such agency, partnership, joint venture, and/or employment. Furthermore, in engaging in the conduct described below, the defendants were all acting with the knowledge, consent, approval, and/or ratification of their co-defendants.

CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS

- 66. Ascertainable Class. The proposed class is ascertainable. The litigation of the questions of fact and law involved in this action will resolve the rights of all members of the class and hence will have binding effect on all class members. These class members can be readily identified from residency computer files of the defendants and other means readily available to the defendants, and thus the plaintiff, through minimally intrusive discovery. The class is numerous. On information and belief, those class members number more than three thousand (3000). Joinder of all class members is impracticable due to both a reluctance of class members to sue their current caregivers and the relatively small monetary recovery for each class member in comparison to the costs associated with separate litigation.
- 67. Community of Interest. The proposed class has a well defined community of interest in the questions of fact and law to be litigated. The common questions of law and fact are predominant with respect to the liability issues, relief issues and anticipated affirmative defenses. The named Plaintiff has claims typical of the class members. Without limitation, as a result of defendants' conduct alleged herein, Plaintiff was: (a) deprived of the value of services he bargained for - namely, to be cared for in a skilled nursing facility in a manner as represented by the Defendants; (b) sustained pecuniary loss in an ascertainable amount to be proven at the time of trial; and (c) has been deprived of the rights afforded to all residents of skilled nursing facilities under Health & Safety Code §1599.1(a) and 22 C.C.R. §72527(a)(12) and (a)(25), most specifically the right "to be treated with consideration, respect and full recognition of dignity and individuality, including privacy in treatment

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and in care of personal needs" and to live in a facility that employs "an adequate number of qualified personnel to carry out all of the functions of the facility." The named Plaintiff can fairly and adequately represent and protect the interests of the class in that there are no conflicts between their interests and the interests of other class members, this action is not collusive, the named Plaintiff and their counsel have the necessary resources to litigate this action, and counsel has the experience and ability required to prosecute this case as a class action.

68. Superiority of Class Adjudication. The certification of a class in this action is superior to the litigation of a multitude of cases by members of the putative class. Class adjudication will conserve judicial resources and will avoid the possibility of inconsistent rulings. Moreover, there are class members who are unlikely to join or bring an action due to, among other reasons, their reluctance to sue their current nursing home provider and/or their inability to afford a separate action. Finally, equity dictates that all persons who stand to benefit from the relief sought herein should be subject to the lawsuit and hence subject to an order spreading the costs of the litigation among the class members in relationship to the benefits received.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 69. This Court has jurisdiction over all causes of action asserted herein. Each defendant has sufficient minimum contacts in the State of California or otherwise intentionally prevails itself of the California market through participation of skilled nursing facilities located in California and other activities, so as to render the exercise of jurisdiction over it by the California courts consistent with traditional notions of fair play and substantial justice.
- 70. Venue is proper in this county under Code of Civil Procedure §395 and Civil Code §1750, et seq. because this court is a court of competent jurisdiction as at least one of the defendants' affected facilities, CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE-WEST, LLC doing business as Centinela Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre - West, maintains its principal place of business in this county, a portion of defendants' liability arose in this county, and the acts upon which this action is based occurred in part in this county.

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

71. DEFENDANTS have owned, licensed, operated, administered, managed, directed,

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and/or controlled numerous skilled nursing facilities in California within the three years prior to the filing of this Complaint through the date of the final disposition of this action. In owning, operating, managing, administrating, controlling, and/or supervising various skilled nursing facilities throughout the State of California, DEFENDANTS had to comply with California statutory and regulatory law governing the operation of skilled nursing facilities. In owning, operating, managing, administrating, controlling, and/or supervising their skilled nursing facilities, DEFENDANTS were also subject to the authority of licensing and other governmental agencies, including but not limited to the California Department of Public Health ("DPH"), the California Department of Health Care Services ("DHCS"), and the federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS").

- 72. At all relevant times, Plaintiff and the class were residents of the DEFENDANTS' skilled nursing facilities who entered into uniform Admissions Agreements with attachments incorporated into said uniform Admission Agreement mandated by and pursuant to Health & Safety Code §1599.74 with the DEFENDANTS prior to becoming residents at the DEFENDANTS' facilities. And in fact the DEFENDANTS mandated as a condition of admission into their skilled nursing facilities that the Plaintiff, and the class members, execute, or have executed on their behalf, said uniform Admission Agreement, a transaction for services with the DEFENDANTS.
- 73. It is alleged that Plaintiff and each class member were each admitted to DEFENDANTS' facilities pursuant to the utilization of the "California Standard Admission Agreement" as mandated by Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations, §72516. Health & Safety Code §1599.74 mandates that every California skilled nursing facility admission agreement shall contain a complete copy of the statutory and regulatory bill of rights in legible print of no less than 12point type and that every resident shall sign a separate written acknowledgement that the resident has been informed of the Resident Bill of Rights. 2 California Health & Safety Code §1599.74 mandates in

¹ A true and correct copy of an exemplar of the "California Standard Admission Agreement for Skilled Nursing Facilities and Intermediate Care Facilities" obtained from the California Department Public Health's website self-authenticating http://www.cdph.ca.gov/pubsforms/forms/CtrldForms/cdph327.pdf is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

² A true and correct copy an exemplar of the Resident Bill of Rights (Attachment F to the Standard (footnote continued)

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(b) Every contract of admission shall contain a complete copy of both the statutory and regulatory Patients' Bill of Rights. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the text of the Patients' Bill of Rights shall be in legible print of no less than 12-point type. If a translation has been provided by the department, the text given to non-Englishspeaking residents shall be in their language.

The contract shall also contain a separate written acknowledgement that the resident has been informed of the Patients' Bill of Rights.

Written acknowledgement by the resident or the resident's representative must be made either on a separate document or in the agreement itself next to the clause informing the resident of these regulatory rights. Written acknowledgement by use of the signature on the agreement as a whole does not meet this requirement.

California Health & Safety Code §1599.74.

74. Pursuant to this uniform representation that the services provided by the Defendants would meet the particularized standards as set forth in the Resident Bill of Rights attached to the uniform Admission Agreement, the DEFENDANTS were to provide all residents of their skilled nursing facilities operating in California services consistent with the mandatory requirements of California Health & Safety Code §1599.1(a) as set forth in Title 22 C.C.R. §72527(a)(12) and (a)(25). Specifically, the services represented by the DEFENDANTS that they would provide to each resident, via the contractual Admission Agreement arrangement with each resident, was explicitly stated by the DEFENDANTS to include the obligation, and representation as to the standard of care to be provided, that each of the DEFENDANTS' skilled nursing facilities operating in California would ensure the rights afforded to all residents of skilled nursing facilities under Health & Safety Code §1599.1(a) and 22 C.C.R. §72527(a)(12) and (a)(25), most specifically the right "to be treated with consideration, respect and full recognition of dignity and individuality, including privacy in treatment and in care of personal needs" and to live in a facility that employs "an adequate number of qualified personnel to carry out all of the functions of the facility." These uniform representations of the DEFENDANTS in

Admission Agreement) obtained from the California Department of Public Health's website at the self-authenticating link http://www.cdph.ca.gov/pubsforms/forms/CtrldForms/cdph327-Attachment-F.pdf is attached hereto as Exhibit 2.

- 75. The Plaintiff, and class members, read, considered and justifiably relied upon the express terms and promises as to the nature and quality of services to be provided by the DEFENDANTS as promised in the uniform Admission Agreement with the DEFENDANTS.
- 76. Before, during, and after the admissions processes of Plaintiff and each class member the DEFENDANTS actively and intentionally concealed from Plaintiff and class members that DEFENDANTS, and most specifically SHLOMO RECHNITZ, has a long history of being serial violators of skilled nursing industry laws and regulations as specifically acknowledged and merely by way of example, in court submissions from the California Attorney General and in declarations executed under penalty of perjury by representatives of both DPH and DHCS, exemplars of which are attached hereto as Exhibits 3, 4, and 5. Merely by way of example, as specifically set forth in court submissions for the purposes of preventing DEFENDANTS from purchasing additional skilled nursing facilities, the California Attorney General has stated:
 - "RECHNITZ IS A VIOLATOR OF INDUSTRY LAWS AND REGULATIONS. The principal individual behind the Stalking Horse Parties is Schlomo Rechnitz. Rechnitz and his companies (Brius Management Company and Brius LLC) have a history of failing to comply with laws and regulations enforced by DHCS and the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services ("CMS")." (Exhibit 3, at p. 2:8-12, bold in original.)
 - "In October 2013, DHCS issued an enforcement order which has been and is continuing to cause the withholding of 100% of Medi-Cal payments to two of Rechnitz's skilled nursing facilities. This order was imposed because <u>Rechnitz repeatedly and continuously failed or refused to submit required audit materials to DHCS</u>." (Exhibit 3, at p. 2:16-20, emphasis added.)
 - "Within the last week, DHCS issued a new enforcement order which threatens to withhold 20% of Rechnitz's Medi-Cal payments for the remaining 55 of his 57 skilled nursing facilities. This order is being imposed because Rechnitz has again failed or refused to submit required audit materials to DHCS." (Exhibit 3, at p. 2:21-25.)

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"In or around April 2014, the federal CMS issued an enforcement order to one of Rechnitz's skilled nursing facilities. This federal enforcement order seeks to (i) deny payment for new admissions; (ii) impose civil monetary penalties' and (iii) terminate the facility's Medicare provider agreement no later than October 2, 2014, if substantial compliance with Medicare participation requirements is not promptly achieved and maintained." (Exhibit 3, at p. 2:25-3:2.)

- "Rechnitz's continued and repeated refusals to comply with industry laws and regulations is harming the skilled nursing industry." (Exhibit 3, at p. 3:3-4, emphasis added.)
- "RECENT ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS WILL HARM RECHNITZ'S FINANCIAL STABILITY. The financial impact of these enforcement orders will hurt Rechnitz's operation revenue. Accordingly, he will have less income with which to provide quality patient care." (Exhibit 3, at p. 3:5-8, bold in original, italics and underscoring added.)
- "RECHNITZ PROBABLY WON'T BE ABLE TO GET REGULATORY APPROVAL TO OPERATE DEBTORS' SKILLED NURSING FACILITIES. Additionally, for Rechnitz to become licensed to operate Debtors' 19 skilled nursing facilities, Rechnitz must meet a 'good character' requirement. CDPH is unlikely to grant licensure to Rechnitz because he will be unable to satisfy the 'good character' requirement." (Exhibit 3, at p. 3:15-20.)
- "Because (i) Rechnitz tends to not comply with regulatory requirements, (ii) Rechnitz's revenue is being markedly reduced and could compromise patient care, (iii) Rechnitz is unlikely to be approved as a Medi-Cal provider for Debtors' facilities, and (iv) Rechnitz is unlikely to be licensed to operate Debtors' facilities this Court should not allow Rechnitz to manage Debtors' skilled nursing facilities on an interim basis, and should not approve Rechnitz's purchase of Debtors' facilities or assets." (Exhibit 3, at p. 3:23 – 4:2, emphasis added.)
- "Because of his multiple enforcement actions and repeated violations of regulatory authority, Rechnitz is not qualified to assume such an important role. During the last week, the regulatory situation involving Rechnitz suddenly became markedly worse: he was the

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subject of a new DHCS enforcement action which threatens to hold back 20% of his Medi-Cal payments for 55 of his 57 skilled nursing facilities. This new enforcement action, when it goes into effect on September 22, 2014, will affect Rechnitz's business revenue and threaten his ability to deliver high quality patient care. The appended declarations of Jean Iacino and Bob Sands establish the background facts and circumstances which give rise to the special circumstances and the threat to patient care created by Rechnitz. (Exhibit 3, at p. 4:21 - 5:2, emphasis added.)

Similarly, representatives from DPH and DHCS have declared under penalty of perjury the following:

- "The repeated and ongoing failure and refusal to file the necessary cost reports for the 2012 year has delayed DHCS's ability to complete its audit of the fifty-seven (57) facilities owned and controlled by Rechnitz and has impeded DHCS's ability to establish the NF B (continuous nursing care) nursing rates for the new rate year that started on August 1, 2014. This is a very serious violation that creates significant harm to the State of California and the skilled nursing community." (Exhibit 4, at p. 3:7-12, emphasis added.)
- "Rechnitz's conduct shows repeated and ongoing disregard for regulatory requirements." (Exhibit 4, at p. 3:16-17, emphasis added.)
- "A reduction of Medi-Cal funding to Rechnitz's currently-owned group of fifty-seven (57) skilled nursing facilities could seriously jeopardize the services and compromise the care provided to residents at those facilities, as well as at any new facilities that Rechnitz may acquire." (Exhibit 4, at p. 3:21-24, emphasis added.)
- These developments and enforcement actions by both state and federal agencies raise significant concerns as to the wisdom of the sale of additional skilled nursing facilities to Rechnitz. Chief among those concerns is the safety of placing additional residents under the care of Rechnitz and his corporate entities, even on a temporary basis, given their demonstrated record of repeated and ongoing noncompliance with state and federal regulatory requirements, and resultant enforcement actions." (Exhibit 4, at p. 4:8-14, emphasis added.)
- 77. It is alleged that the concealments by DEFENDANTS alleged in the immediately

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preceding paragraph were intended to deceive Plaintiff and members of the class into believing that DEFENDANTS' facilities were properly operated to induce Plaintiff and class members into becoming residents of DEFENDANTS' facilities. That Plaintiff and members of the class, all in infirm health, elderly, and/or in need of skilled nursing care and members of one of the most vulnerable segments of our society, were unsophisticated and unknowledgeable in the operation of skilled nursing facilities in the State of California and had no knowledge of the facts concealed by DEFENDANTS and could not have discovered those concealed facts due to, among other things, their extremely vulnerable status. Had the concealed facts been disclosed to Plaintiff and members of the class, they would not have become residents of DEFENDANTS' facilities and would not have paid, or had monies paid on their behalf, for the substandard skilled nursing care at DEFENDANTS' facilities.

- 78. Before, during, and after the admissions processes of Plaintiff and each class member, the DEFENDANTS actively and intentionally concealed from Plaintiff and class members that DEFENDANTS did not devote sufficient financial resources to the proper operation of their skilled nursing facilities, did not devote sufficient financial resources to protect the health and safety of residents and ensure resident rights were not violated, and instead diverted those resources to create ill-begotten profits for DEFENDANTS. It is alleged that this concealment by DEFENDANTS was intended to deceive Plaintiff and members of the class into believing that DEFENDANTS' facilities were properly operated to induce Plaintiff and class members into becoming residents of DEFENDANTS' facilities. That Plaintiff and members of the class, all in infirm health, elderly, and/or in need of skilled nursing care and members of one of the most vulnerable segments of our society, were unknowledgeable and unsophisticated in the operation of skilled nursing facilities in the State of California and had no knowledge of the facts concealed by DEFENDANTS and could not have discovered those concealed facts due to, among other things, their extremely vulnerable status. Had the concealed facts been disclosed to Plaintiff and members of the class, they would not have become residents of DEFENDANTS' facilities and would not have paid, or had monies paid on their behalf, for the substandard skilled nursing care at DEFENDANTS' facilities.
- 79. Before, during, and after the admissions processes of Plaintiff and each class member, the DEFENDANTS actively and intentionally concealed from Plaintiff and class members that

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DEFENDANTS chronically understaffed their facilities with an inadequate number of staff to carry out the function of their facilities as more fully alleged herein, and in so doing and as a result thereof, the DEFENDANTS have violated the rights afforded to all residents of skilled nursing facilities under Health & Safety Code §1599.1(a) and 22 C.C.R. §72527(a)(12) and (a)(25), most specifically the right "to be treated with consideration, respect and full recognition of dignity and individuality, including privacy in treatment and in care of personal needs" and to live in a facility that employs "an adequate number of qualified personnel to carry out all of the functions of the facility." It is alleged that this concealment by DEFENDANTS was intended to deceive Plaintiff and members of the class into believing that DEFENDANTS' facilities were properly staffed to induce Plaintiff and class members into becoming residents of DEFENDANTS' facilities. That Plaintiff and members of the class, all in infirm health, elderly, and/or in need of skilled nursing care and members of one of the most vulnerable segments of our society, were unknowledgeable and unsophisticated in the operation of skilled nursing facilities in the State of California and had no knowledge of the facts concealed by DEFENDANTS and could not have discovered those concealed facts due to, among other things, their extremely vulnerable status. Had the concealed facts been disclosed to Plaintiff and members of the class, they would not have become residents of DEFENDANTS' facilities and would not have paid, or had monies paid on their behalf, for the substandard skilled nursing care at DEFENDANTS' facilities.

80. In reality, in direct contradiction to the representation in their uniform admission agreement that their facilities would "employ an adequate number of qualified personnel to carry out all functions of the facility" and to meet the needs of their residents, the DEFENDANTS' facilities chronically understaffed their Facilities and chronically failed to meet the particularized standards as set forth in the Resident Bill of Rights relating to the mandatory requirements of California Health & Safety Code §1599.1(a) as set forth in Title 22 C.C.R. §72527(a)(25) and Title 22 C.C.R. §72527(a)(12), as is more fully alleged in paragraphs 97 through 142 herein below. Thus, DEFENDANTS have misrepresented in their admission agreement that entering into the admission agreement with DEFENDANTS conferred or involved rights, remedies, or obligations which the transaction did not have or involve, or which was prohibited by law, in violation of Civil Code §1770(a)(14).

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81. Plaintiff and the class members, as persons unknowledgeable and unsophisticated in the operation of skilled nursing facilities in the State of California and having no knowledge of the material concealments by DEFENDANTS alleged herein, justifiably relied on the material terms of, and the representations set forth in, the DEFENDANTS' uniform Admission Agreement in entering into the admission agreement and becoming residents of DEFENDANTS' skilled nursing facilities thereby assuming the obligation of payment to the DEFENDANTS. Most specifically, Plaintiff and the Class relied on the following material term of the California Standard Admission Agreement relating to resident rights:

> IV. Your Rights as a Resident. Residents of this Facility keep all their basic rights and liberties as a citizen or resident of the United States when, after, they are admitted. Because these rights are so important, both federal and state laws and regulations describe them in detail, and state law requires that a comprehensive Resident Bill of Rights be attached to this Agreement.

> Attachment F, entitled "Resident Bill of Rights," lists your rights as set forth in State and Federal law. For your information, the attachment also provides the location of your rights in statute. You should review the attached "Resident Bill of Rights" very carefully. To acknowledge that you have been informed of the "resident Bill of Rights," please sign here:

(Exhibit 1, at p. 3-4.) In requiring their residents to specifically and separately acknowledge receipt of DEFENDANTS' representations regarding the minimum standards of care as set forth in the Resident Bill of Rights, DEFENDANTS knew, or should have known, that their residents were reasonably and justifiably relying on said representations.

- 82. It is alleged that Plaintiff and members of the Class suffered injury in fact and concrete harm in that they relied on the representations of the DEFENDANTS that they would be provided with minimum standards of care consistent with the requirements of Title 22 C.C.R. §72527(a)(12) and Health & Safety Code §1599.1(a) as incorporated into Title 22 C.C.R. §72527(a)(25), yet did not receive this promised standard of care and suffered pecuniary harm by being deprived of the value of payments made for skilled nursing services when these services were not actually rendered consistent with the DEFENDANTS' representations.
 - In addition, these class members made monetary payments to the DEFENDANTS in 83.

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return for skilled nursing services of the standard promised by the DEFENDANTS in the uniform Admission Agreement and its attachments which are incorporated into the Admission Agreement as alleged above. The class has suffered pecuniary harm in that the Defendants did not provide such services of the standard represented. In addition, Plaintiff and class members have suffered pecuniary harm in that DEFENDANTS misrepresented that entering into an admission agreement with DEFENDANTS conferred the statutory resident right under Health & Safety Code §1599.1 of Plaintiff and class members to reside in facilities that employ "an adequate number of qualified personnel to carry out all of the functions of the facility" when in fact the transaction of entering into an admission agreement with DEFENDANTS did not confer such right.

- 84. That is, simply by entering into an admission agreement with a resident, the DEFENDANTS represent in writing as an exhibit or addendum attached to the admission agreement of Plaintiff, and all others similarly situated, that the DEFENDANTS will provide services of the standard and quality consistent with the Resident Bill of Rights as set forth in Title 22 California Code of Regulations §72527(a)(25) to wit, California Health & Safety Code §1599.1.
- That is, simply by entering into an admission agreement with a resident, the 85. DEFENDANTS represent in writing as an exhibit or addendum attached to the admission agreement of Plaintiff, and all others similarly situated, that the transaction conferred the statutory resident rights afforded to all residents of skilled nursing facilities under Health & Safety Code §1599.1(a) and 22 California Code of Regulations §72527(a)(12) and (a)(25), most specifically the right "to be treated with consideration, respect and full recognition of dignity and individuality, including privacy in treatment and in care of personal needs" and to live in a facility that employs "an adequate number of qualified personnel to carry out all of the functions of the facility" when in fact the transaction of entering into an admission agreement with DEFENDANTS did not confer such right in direct violation of Civil Code §1770(a)(14).
- 86. The representations of DEFENDANTS as incorporated into their admissions contracts are false and known by the DEFENDANTS to be false when made. Plaintiff and the class relied on these misrepresentations into becoming residents of the DEFENDANTS' facilities. In reliance of these misrepresentations, the Plaintiff and the class made payments to the DEFENDANTS in return for

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these services as promised. Plaintiff and the class suffered pecuniary harm in the form of lost payments and lost services when the DEFENDANTS actually failed to provide these promised skilled nursing services as represented.

- 87. It is alleged that DEFENDANTS' representations set forth in their uniform resident admission agreements that they would ensure their residents' right to live in adequately staffed facilities were false because, instead of providing the represented standard of care, at all times herein relevant the DEFENDANTS intentionally concealed from Plaintiff and members of the class that the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS conceived and implemented a plan to wrongfully increase business profits at the expense of the rights and health of residents such as Plaintiff, and others similarly situated through the chronic understaffing and under-funding of the defendant facilities which prevented the defendant facilities from ensuring their residents' statutory right to live in adequately staffed facilities that would meet the needs of the residents, rendering the representations of the DEFENDANTS as to the nature and quality of their services as false.
- 88. It is alleged that federal and California regulations require skilled nursing facilities to provide adequate, qualified staffing to meet resident needs and to carry out all functions at the facility, regardless of whether adequate staffing would require more staff than any required bare numeric ratios. Specifically, as it relates to federal law, 42 Code of Federal Regulations § 483.30 states that a skilled nursing facility "must have sufficient nursing staff to provide nursing and related services to attain or maintain the highest practicable physical, mental, and psychosocial well-being of each resident, as determined by resident assessments and individual plans of care." 42 Code of Federal Regulations §483.30 further states that a skilled nursing facility "must provide services by sufficient numbers of each of the following types of personnel on a 24-hour basis to provide nursing care to all residents in accordance with resident care plans: (i) Except when waived under paragraph (c) of this section, licensed nurses; and (ii) Other nursing personnel." 42 Code of Federal Regulations § 483.30(a)(1).
 - It is specifically alleged that the regulations enacted pursuant to the California Health 89.

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and Safety Code³ also require that a skilled nursing facility maintain staffing at levels sufficient to meet the needs of residents, even if that required staffing level is more than the bare minimum numeric ratio of 3.2 NHPPD required by Health & Safety Code §1276.5. "The Department may require the licensee to provide additional professional, administrative or supportive personnel whenever the Department determines through a written evaluation that additional personnel is needed to provide for the health and safety of patients." Title 22 California Code of Regulations § 72501(g) (italics added). "Nursing service personnel shall be employed and on duty in at least the number and with the qualifications determined by the Department to provide the necessary nursing services for patients admitted for care. The Department may require a facility to provide additional staff as set forth in Section 72501(g)." Title 22 California Code of Regulations § 72329(a).

- 90. It is alleged that minimum staffing of personnel in DEFENDANTS' Facilities is dependent by law upon the acuity (need) level of the residents of the Facilities. As alleged more fully below, the Facilities' resident acuity levels during the class period were so high and that the "minimum" staffing ratios exceeded the numeric minimum of Health & Safety Code §1276.5 pursuant to the provisions of Title 22 California Code of Regulations §§72515(b), 72329 and 42 C.F.R. §483.30.
- 91. Thus, it is specifically alleged that DEFENDANTS, as operators of skilled nursing facilities must, pursuant to statutes and regulations with which DEFENDANTS are required to comply, know that sufficient nursing staff is required to meet the needs of residents and to ensure the health and safety of residents. Conversely, DEFENDANTS, as operators of skilled nursing facilities must also know that a failure to maintain sufficient staffing to meet the needs of residents will endanger the health and safety of FACILITY residents. The DEFENDANTS, as operators of skilled nursing facilities, cannot claim ignorance of these regulatory requirements without endangering their very licensure. Skilled nursing facilities have the "responsibility to see to it that the license is not used

These regulations set the standard of care with which skilled nursing facilities must comply. See Health & Saf. Code \$1276(a) ("The building standards published in the State Building Standards Code by the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development, and the regulations adopted by the state department shall, as applicable, prescribe standards of adequacy, safety, and sanitation of the physical plant, of staffing with duly qualified licensed personnel, and of services, based on the type of health facility and the needs of the persons served thereby.").

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in violation of law." (California Assn. of Health Facilities v. Department of Health Services (1997) 16 Cal.4th 284, 295.); see also California Code of Regulations, §72501, subd. (a) (skilled nursing facilities "shall be responsible for compliance with the licensing requirements and for the organization, management, operation and control of the licensed facility.").

92. It is alleged that at all times relevant hereto, in addition to mandating minimum staffing, the California Legislature also has specifically recognized and declared that failing to maintain sufficient staffing may result in death or serious physical harm to residents. As specifically alleged hereinabove, operators of skilled nursing facilities such as the DEFENDANTS are required to comply with (and hence have knowledge of) these statutes and regulations. California Health and Safety Code §1276.65, which requires the development of regulations setting forth staffing ratios as explained above, also provides that "[a] violation of the regulations developed pursuant to this section may constitute a class "B," "A," or "AA" violation pursuant to the standards set forth in Section 1424." (Health & Saf. Code, §1276.65, subd. (g)(2).) That is, simply understaffing a facility may constitute a class "B," "A," or "AA" citation. In turn, Section 1424, subdivisions (c), (d), and (e), defines the classifications of citations in relevant part as follows:

- Class "AA" violations are violations that meet the criteria for a class "A" violation and that the state department determines to have been a direct proximate cause of death of a patient or resident of a long-term health care facility.
- Class "A" violations are violations which the state department determines present either (1) imminent danger that death or serious harm to the patients or residents of the long-term health care facility would result therefrom, or (2) substantial probability that death or serious physical harm to patients or residents of the long-term health care facility would result therefrom.
- Except as provided in paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of Section 1424.5, (e) class "B" violations are violations that the state department determines have a direct or immediate relationship to the health, safety, or security of long-term health care facility patients or residents, other than class "AA" or "A" violations.

(Health & Safety Code, §1424, italics added.)

93. Thus, it is alleged that at all times relevant hereto, the DEFENDANTS were required to know pursuant to applicable statues and regulations (or risk forfeiture of licensure) that understaffing their skilled nursing facilities creates a high risk of harm to residents of that facility. That at all times

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relevant hereto the DEFENDANTS consciously disregarded that knowledge and continued to maintain insufficient staffing levels.

- 94. The analysis of whether a skilled nursing facility provides adequate staffing entails three basic steps: a) determining the collective acuity level of the residents at the facility; b) determining the staffing levels at the facility; and c) comparing the collective acuity and staffing levels at the facility in light of recognized minimum staffing requirements. It is alleged that a facility's acuity level is based upon the average resident acuity in the population for whom care is being provided. It is alleged that it is not necessary to determine whether all residents individually receive a certain number of hours of nursing care per day, but rather whether the facility – as a whole – is adequately staffed to account for the facility's collective acuity level. It is alleged that although a facility's acuity level can vary from day to day, the acuity rates can be determined by taking the average facility acuity over the course of several months. This process provides a reliable index of a facility's average patient nursing needs, a key for determining adequate staffing requirements.
- 95. The staffing analysis described above is done at a facility-level. Thus, it does not require any individualized inquiry into how many hours of direct nursing care any specific resident received on any given day. Rather, the proper analysis is whether the facility as a whole employed an adequate number of qualified staff to competently care for the collective needs of its residents. It is specifically alleged that the United States Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") has already determined the level of staffing required to meet the needs of residents based on the collective acuity levels of the residents via the CMS Agency Patient-Related Characteristics Report (formerly the Case Mix Report), which is the average resident need score based on resident assessment data that CMS has already collected and calculated. A self-authenticating link to a portion of this staffing information is http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/CertificationandComplianc/Downloads/staffingdatafile.zip.
- 96. It is specifically alleged that if a skilled nursing facility's staffing levels are lower than the level of staffing required to meet the needs of residents as determined by their collective acuity, that facility has violated its residents' statutory, affirmative and actionable right to reside in a skilled nursing facility that employs "an adequate number of qualified personnel to carry out all of the

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functions of the facility." California Health & Safety Code §1599.1(a). Upon information and belief, it is alleged that each of DEFENDANTS' facilities was inadequately staffed in violation of Health & Safety Code §1599.1(a).

97. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant B-EAST, LLC dba Presidio Healthcare Center reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 3.67 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.25 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.55 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 3.67 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.25 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.55. For March 2013, the reported, adjusted, and expected staffing numbers were 3.67, 3.25, and 4.55 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.67, 3.25, and 4.55 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 4.09, 3.73, and 4.42, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 4.09, 3.73, and 4.42, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 4.09, 3.91, 4.21, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 4.09, 3.91, and 4.21, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 4.09, 3.91, and 4.21, respectively. And for December 2013, these numbers were 4.09, 3.91, and 4.21, respectively.

98. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant B-SAN DIEGO, LLC dba Brighton Place - San Diego reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 3.71 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.50 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.27 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 3.71 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.50 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.27. For March 2013, the reported, adjusted, and expected staffing numbers were 3.71, 3.50, and 4.27 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.71, 3.50, and 4.27 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.71, 3.50, and 4.27, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.71, 3.50, and 4.27, respectively. For July

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2013, these numbers were 3.71, 3.50, and 4.27, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 4.07, 3.87, and 4.23, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 4.07, 3.92, and 4.19, respectively. And for December 2013, these numbers were 4.07, 3.92, and 4.18, respectively.

99. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant B-SPRING VALLEY, LLC dba Brighton Place - Spring Valley reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 3.83 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.69 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.17 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 3.83 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.69 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.18. For March 2013, the reported, adjusted, and expected staffing numbers were 3.83, 3.70, and 4.18 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.83, 3.70, and 4.18 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.83, 3.70, and 4.18, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 4.25, 3.86, and 4.45, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 4.25, 3.84, and 4.47, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 4.25, 3.84, and 4.47, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 4.25, 3.84, and 4.47, respectively. And for December 2013, these numbers were 4.25, 3.84, and 4.47, respectively.

100. Upon information and belief, for the time period of March 2012, Defendant CNRC, LLC dba California Nursing & Rehabilitation Center maintained merely 3.87 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 5.37 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for May 2012, this Defendant maintained merely 4.29 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 5.09. For January 2013, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 4.90 and 4.97 respectively. For February 2013, these numbers were 4.90 and 4.97 respectively. For March 2013, these numbers were 4.90 and 4.97, respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 4.90 and 4.97, respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 4.90 and 4.97, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 4.90 and 4.97, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 4.90 and 4.97, respectively. For August 2013, these numbers were 4.90 and 4.97, respectively. For September

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2013, these numbers were 4.15 and 5.00, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 44.54 and 4.58, respectively. And for December 2013, these numbers were 4.54 and 4.58, respectively.

101. Upon information and belief, for the time period of March 2012, Defendant POINT LOMA REHABILITATION CENTER, LLC dba Point Loma Convalescent Hospital maintained merely 3.78 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.77 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for March 2014, this Defendant maintained merely 3.75 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.21. For April 2014, these numbers were 3.82 and 4.14, respectively. For May 2014, these numbers were 3.82 and 4.14, respectively. For June 2014, these numbers were 3.82 and 4.14, respectively. For July 2014, these numbers were 3.82 and 4.14, respectively. For August 2014, these numbers were 3.82 and 4.14, respectively.

102. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE - WEST, LLC dba Centinela Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre - West reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 4.01 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.65 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.43 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 4.02 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.66 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.43. For March 2013, the reported, adjusted, and expected staffing numbers were 4.02, 3.66, and 4.43 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 4.02, 3.66, and 4.43 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 4.02, 3.66, and 4.43, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 4.02, 3.66, and 4.43, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 4.21, 3.95, and 4.29, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 4.21, 3.95, and 4.29, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 4.21, 3.88, and 4.37, respectively. And for December 2013, these numbers were 4.21, 3.88, and 4.37, respectively.

103. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE EAST dba Centinela Skilled Nursing

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& Wellness Centre East reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 3.83 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.65 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.23 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 3.83 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.65 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.23. For March 2013, the reported, adjusted, and expected staffing numbers were 3.83, 3.65, and 4.23 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.83, 3.65, and 4.22 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.83, 3.65, and 4.23, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 4.34, 4.14, and 4.22, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 4.34, 4.03, and 4.34, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 4.34, 4.03, and 4.34, respectively.

104. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant LAIBCO. LLC dba Las Flores Convalescent Hospital reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 4.28 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.87 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.46 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 4.28 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.87 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.46. For March 2013, the reported, adjusted, and expected staffing numbers were 4.28, 3.87, and 4.46 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 4.28, 3.87, and 4.46 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 4.19, 3.70, and 4.57, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 4.19, 3.70, and 4.57, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 4.19, 3.71, 4.56, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 4.19, 3.71, and 4.56, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 4.19, 3.70, and 4.56, respectively. And for December 2013, these numbers were 4.19, 3.71, and 4.56, respectively.

105. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant SOUTH PASADENA REHABILITATION CENTER, LLC dba South Pasadena Convalescent Hospital

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reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 3.81 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.74 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.11 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 3.81 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.74 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.11. For March 2013, the reported, adjusted, and expected staffing numbers were 3.81, 3.74, and 4.11 respectively.

106. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant VERNON HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC dba Vernon Healthcare Center reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 1.59 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 1.40 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.59 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 1.59 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 1.40 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.59. For March 2013, the reported, adjusted, and expected staffing numbers were 1.59, 1.40, and 4.59 respectively.

107. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant NORWALK SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Norwalk Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 3.87 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.49 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.47 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 3.87 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.49 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.47. For March 2013, the reported, adjusted, and expected staffing numbers were 3.87, 3.49, and 4.47 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.87, 3.49, and 4.47, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.87, 3.49, and 4.47, respectively. For

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July 2013, these numbers were 4.26, 3.87, 4.44, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 4.26, 3.87, and 4.44, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 4.26, 4.06, and 4.23, respectively. And for December 2013, these numbers were 4.26, 4.06, and 4.23, respectively.

Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant 108. MAYWOOD SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Maywood Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 3.79 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.52 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.33 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 3.79 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.52 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.33. For March 2013, the reported, adjusted, and expected staffing numbers were 3.79, 3.52, and 4.33 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.79, 3.52, and 4.33 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.79, 3.52, and 4.33, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.79, 3.52, and 4.33, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 3.79, 3.52, 4.33, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 4.11, 3.82, and 4.34, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 4.11, 3.88, and 4.27, respectively. And for December 2013, these numbers were 4.11, 3.88, and 4.27, respectively.

109. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant OAKHURST HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Oakhurst Healthcare & Wellness Centre reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 3.69 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.49 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.27 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 3.69 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.49 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.27. For March 2013, the reported, adjusted, and expected staffing numbers were 3.69, 3.49, and 4.27 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.69, 3.49, and 4.27 respectively. For

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May 2013, these numbers were 3.69, 3.49, and 4.27, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.69, 3.49, and 4.27, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 3.69, 3.49, 4.27, respectively.

110. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant EUREKA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Eureka Rehabilitation & Wellness Center reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 3.80 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.69 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.15 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 3.80 nursing hours per patient day even though it maintained merely 3.69 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.15. For March 2013, the reported, adjusted, and expected staffing numbers were 3.80, 3.69, and 4.15 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.80, 3.69, and 4.15 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.80, 3.69, and 4.15, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.80, 3.69, and 4.15, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 3.80, 3.91, 4.21, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 4.09, 3.91, and 4.21, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 4.09, 3.91, and 4.21, respectively. And for December 2013, these numbers were 4.09, 3.91, and 4.21, respectively.

Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant 111. GRANADA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Granada Rehabilitation & Wellness Center reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 3.72 nursing hours per patient day when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 3.95 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 3.73 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 3.95. For March 2013, the reported and expected staffing numbers were 3.73 and 3.95 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.73 and 3.95 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.73 and 3.95, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.73 and 3.95, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 3.73 and 3.95, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 3.91 and 3.93, respectively. For November

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2013, these numbers were 3.91 and 3.98, respectively. For December 2013, these numbers were 3.91 and 3.98, respectively.

112. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant PACIFIC REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Pacific Rehabilitation & Wellness Center reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 3.37 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.07 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 3.37 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.07. For March 2013, the reported and expected staffing numbers were 3.37 and 4.07, respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.37 and 4.07 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.37 and 4.07, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.37 and 4.07, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 3.37 and 4.07, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 3.97 and 4.00, respectively. For December 2013, these numbers were 3.97 and 3.92, respectively.

113. Upon information and belief, for the time period of March 2013, Defendant SEAVIEW REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Seaview Rehabilitation & Wellness Center reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 3.65 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 3.96 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for April 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 3.65 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 3.71. For May 2013, the reported and expected staffing numbers were 3.65 and 3.71, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.65 and 3.71, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 3.65 and 3.71, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 3.65 and 3.71, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 3.65 and 3.71, respectively. For December 2013, these numbers were 3.65 and 3.71, respectively.

Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant 114. FORTUNA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Fortuna Rehabilitation & Wellness Center reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it

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maintained a total of 3.48 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 3.71 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 3.48 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 3.71. For March 2013, the reported and expected staffing numbers were 3.48 and 3.71 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.48 and 3.71 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.48 and 3.71, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.48 and 3.71, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 3.48 and 3.71 respectively.

115. Upon information and belief, for the time period of December 2012 Defendant IMPERIAL HEIGHTS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Imperial Heights Healthcare & Wellness Centre, LLC reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 3.93 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.31 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for January 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 3.93 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.31. For February 2013, the reported and expected staffing numbers were 3.93 and 4.31 respectively. For March 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.79 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 4.36, and 4.73, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.72, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. And for December 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively.

116. Upon information and belief, for the time period of December 2012 Defendant RIVERSIDE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Alta Vista Healthcare & Wellness Centre reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 3.68 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.51 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for January 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 4.46 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the

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expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.77. For February 2013, the reported and expected staffing numbers were 4.46 and 4.77 respectively. For March 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.79 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 4.36, and 4.73, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.72, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. And for December 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively.

Upon information and belief, for the time period of December 2012 Defendant 117. ORANGE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Orange Healthcare & Wellness Centre reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 4.01 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.71 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for January 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 4.01 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.71. For February 2013, the reported and expected staffing numbers were 4.01 and 4.71 respectively. For March 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.79 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 4.36, and 4.73, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.72, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. And for December 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively.

118. Upon information and belief, for the time period of December 2012 Defendant BAKERSFIELD HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba The Rehabilitation Center of Bakersfield reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 4.25 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.32 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for January 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 4.25 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.32. For February 2013, the reported and expected staffing numbers were 4.25 and 4.32 respectively. For March 2013, these numbers were 4.36

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Upon information and belief, for the time period of March 2013, Defendant GRIDLEY 119. HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Gridley Healthcare & Wellness Centre reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 4.17 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.80 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. For April 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 4.36, and 4.73, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.72, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. And for December 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively.

Upon information and belief, for the time period of February 2013, Defendant INDIO 120. HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE dba Desert Springs Healthcare & Wellness Centre reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 4.17 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.80 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. For March 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.79 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 4.36, and 4.73, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.72, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. And for December 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively.

Upon information and belief, for the time period of December 2012 Defendant 121. SKYLINE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE dba Skyline Healthcare Center - Los Angeles reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 4.02

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nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.23 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for January 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 4.17 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.80. For February 2013, the reported and expected staffing numbers were 4.36 and 4.79 respectively. For March 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.79 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 4.36, and 4.73, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.72, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. And for December 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively.

122. Upon information and belief, for the time period of December 2012 Defendant DRIFTWOOD HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Driftwood Healthcare Center reported to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") that it maintained a total of 3.73 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.05 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for January 2013, this Defendant reported that it maintained a total of 4.17 nursing hours per patient day at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.80. For February 2013, the reported and expected staffing numbers were 4.36 and 4.79 respectively. For March 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.79 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 4.36, and 4.73, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.72, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively. And for December 2013, these numbers were 4.36 and 4.73, respectively.

123. Upon information and belief, for the time period of June 2013, Defendant SOLNUS ONE, LLC dba Alameda Healthcare & Wellness Center maintained merely 4.26 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.27 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for July 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 4.23 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing

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hours per patient day per CMS was 4.31. For August 2013, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 4.23 and 4.31 respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 4.23 and 4.31 respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 4.23 and 4.31, respectively. For December 2013, these numbers were 4.23 and 4.31, respectively. For January 2014, these numbers were 4.23 and 4.31, respectively. For February 2014, these numbers were 4.23 and 4.31, respectively. For March 2014, these numbers were 4.23 and 4.31, respectively. For April 2014, these numbers were 4.23 and 4.31, respectively. For May 2014, these numbers were 4.23 and 4.31, respectively. For June 2014, these numbers were 4.23 and 4.31, respectively. And for July 2014, these numbers were 4.29 and 4.44, respectively.

124. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant SOLNUS FOUR, LLC dba San Pablo Healthcare & Wellness Center maintained merely 3.80 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.06 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 3.80 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.06. For March 2013, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 3.80 and 4.06 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.80 and 4.06 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.80 and 4.06, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.80 and 4.06, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 3.80 and 4.06, respectively. For August 2013, these numbers were 3.80 and 4.06, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 3.80 and 4.06, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 3.56 and 4.16, respectively. For December 2013, these numbers were 3.56 and 4.16, respectively. For January 2014, these numbers were 3.56 and 4.16, respectively. For February 2014, these numbers were 3.56 and 4.16, respectively. For March 2014, these numbers were 3.56 and 4.16, respectively.

125. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant SOLNUS FIVE, LLC dba Hayward Healthcare & Wellness Center maintained merely 3.20 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.21 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 3.20 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing

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hours per patient day per CMS was 4.21. For March 2013, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 3.20 and 4.21 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.20 and 4.21 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.20 and 4.21, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.59 and 4.20, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 3.58 and 4.21, respectively. For August 2013, these numbers were 3.58 and 4.21, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 3.58 and 4.21, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 3.51 and 4.30, respectively. For December 2013, these numbers were 3.58 and 4.21, respectively. For January 2014, these numbers were 3.58 and 4.21, respectively. And for February 2014, these numbers were 3.58 and 4.21, respectively.

Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant SOLNUS 126. SIX, LLC dba San Jose Healthcare & Wellness Center maintained merely 3.29 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.21 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 3.29 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.21. For March 2013, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 3.29 and 4.21 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.29 and 4.21 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.29 and 4.21, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.29 and 4.21, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 3.29 and 4.21, respectively. For August 2013, these numbers were 3.59 and 4.10, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 3.59 and 4.10, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 3.46 and 4.25, respectively. For December 2013, these numbers were 3.46 and 4.25, respectively. For January 2014, these numbers were 3.46 and 4.25, respectively. And for February 2014, these numbers were 3.46 and 4.25, respectively.

127. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant SOLNUS TWO, LLC dba Oakland Healthcare & Wellness Center maintained merely 3.98 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.09 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 3.51 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.10. For March 2013, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers

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128. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant SOLNUS SEVEN, LLC dba Cupertino Healthcare & Wellness Center maintained merely 3.54 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 3.92 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 3.86 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.04. For March 2013, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 3.86 and 4.03 respectively.

Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant SOLNUS THREE, LLC dba Roseville Point Healthcare & Wellness Center maintained merely 3.97 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.09 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 3.97 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.09. For March 2013, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 3.97 and 4.09 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.97 and 4.09 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.97 and 4.09, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.62 and 4.01, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 3.36 and 4.32, respectively. For August 2013, these numbers were 3.36 and 4.32, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 3.36 and 4.32, respectively. For October 2013, these numbers were 3.36 and 4.32, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 3.40 and 4.28, respectively. For December 2013, these numbers were 3.40 and 4.28, respectively.

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EIGHT, LLC dba The Rehabilitation Center of Oakland maintained merely 3.40 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.50 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 3.40 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.50. For March 2013, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 3.45 and 4.54 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.43 and 4.56 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.43 and 4.56, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.43 and 4.56, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 3.18 and 4.91, respectively. For August 2013, these numbers were 3.18 and 4.91, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 3.19 and 4.91, respectively. And for November 2013, these numbers were 3.19 and 4.91, respectively.

131. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant LAWNDALE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Lawndale Care Center maintained merely 3.65 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.34 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 3.65 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.34. For March 2013, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 3.65 and 4.34 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.50 and 4.14 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.50 and 4.14, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.50 and 4.14, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 3.39 and 4.28, respectively. For August 2013, these numbers were 3.39 and 4.28, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 3.39 and 4.28, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 3.50 and 4.15, respectively.

132. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant THE HEALTHCARE CENTER OF DOWNEY, LLC dba Lakewood Park Health Center maintained merely 3.38 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.23 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 3.38 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.23. For March 2013, the

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adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 3.38 and 4.23 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.38 and 4.23 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.38 and 4.23, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.38 and 4.23, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 3.38 and 4.23, respectively. For August 2013, these numbers were 3.38 and 4.23, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 3.38 and 4.23, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 3.38 and 4.23, respectively. For December 2013, these numbers were 3.38 and 4.23, respectively. For January 2014, these numbers were 3.38 and 4.23, respectively. And for February 2014, these numbers were 3.38 and 4.23, respectively.

Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, NOTELLAGE, INC. dba College Vista Convalescent Hospital dba Pasadena Park Healthcare & Wellness Center maintained merely 3.30 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.25 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 3.30 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.25. For March 2013, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 3.30 and 4.25 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.30 and 4.24 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.30 and 4.25, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.30 and 4.24, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 3.30 and 4.24, respectively. For August 2013, these numbers were 3.30 and 4.24, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 3.30 and 4.24, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 3.30 and 4.24, respectively. And for December 2013, these numbers were 3.30 and 4.24, respectively.

Upon information and belief, for the time period of July 2013, Defendant FOUR SEASONS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Four Seasons Healthcare & Wellness Center maintained merely 3.63 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.20 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for August 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 3.63 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.20. For September 2013, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 3.63 and 4.20 respectively. For

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November 2013, these numbers were 3.61 and 4.23 respectively. For December 2013, these numbers were 3.61 and 4.22, respectively. For January 2014, these numbers were 3.61 and 4.22, respectively. For February 2014, these numbers were 3.61 and 4.22, respectively. And for March 2014, these numbers were 3.61 and 4.22, respectively.

135. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant ALHAMBRA HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP dba Alhambra Healthcare & Wellness Centre maintained merely 3.77 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 3.90 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 3.77 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 3.91. For March 2013, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 3.77 and 3.90 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.74 and 3.93 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.74 and 3.93, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.74 and 3.93, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 3.74 and 3.93, respectively. For August 2013, these numbers were 3.74 and 3.93, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 3.74 and 3.93, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 3.74 and 3.93, respectively. For December 2013, these numbers were 3.74 and 3.93, respectively. For January 2014, these numbers were 3.74 and 3.93, respectively. And for February 2014, these numbers were 3.74 and 3.93, respectively.

136. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant MESA VERDE CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL, INC. dba Mesa Verde Convalescent Hospital maintained merely 4.17 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.57 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 4.17 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.57. For March 2013, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 4.17 and 4.57 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 4.17 and 4.57 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.35 and 4.65, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.35 and 4.65, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 3.32 and 4.68, respectively. For August 2013, these numbers were 3.32 and 4.68,

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respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 3.32 and 4.68, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 3.32 and 4.68, respectively. For December 2013, these numbers were 3.32 and 4.68, respectively. For January 2014, these numbers were 3.32 and 4.68, respectively. And for February 2014, these numbers were 3.32 and 4.68, respectively.

137. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant HAWTHORNE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Hawthorne Healthcare & Wellness Centre maintained merely 3.38 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.27 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 3.38 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.27. For March 2013, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 3.38 and 4.27 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.38 and 4.27 respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.38 and 4.27, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.38 and 4.27, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 3.38 and 4.27, respectively. For August 2013, these numbers were 43.38 and 4.27, respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 3.22 and 4.19, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 3.00 and 4.49, respectively. For December 2013, these numbers were 3.00 and 4.49, respectively. And for January 2014, these numbers were 3.16 and 4.26, respectively.

138. Upon information and belief, for the time period of November 2013, Defendant YORK HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP dba York Healthcare & Wellness Centre maintained merely 3.61 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.08 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for December 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 3.61 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.08. For January 2014, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 3.66 and 4.02 respectively. For February 2014, these numbers were 3.66 and 4.02 respectively. And for March 2014, these numbers were 3.66 and 4.02, respectively.

139. Upon information and belief, for the time period of May 2013, Defendant NOVATO HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC dba Novato Healthcare Center maintained merely 3.86 adjusted

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nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 3.92 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for June 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 3.86 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 3.92. For July 2013, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 3.80 and 3.98 respectively. For August 2013, these numbers were 3.80 and 3.98 respectively. For September 2013, these numbers were 3.80 and 3.98, respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 3.80 and 3.98, respectively. For December 2013, these numbers were 3.80 and 3.98, respectively. For January 2014, these numbers were 3.80 and 3.98, respectively. For February 2014, these numbers were 3.80 and 3.98, respectively. And for March 2014, these numbers were 3.80 and 3.98, respectively.

140. Upon information and belief, for the time period of January 2013, Defendant OXNARD MANOR, LP dba Oxnard Manor Healthcare Center maintained merely 3.56 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.16 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for February 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 3.56 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.16. For March 2013, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 3.56 and 4.16 respectively. For April 2013, these numbers were 3.56 and 4.16, respectively. For May 2013, these numbers were 3.56 and 4.16, respectively. For June 2013, these numbers were 3.56 and 4.16, respectively. For July 2013, these numbers were 3.56 and 4.16, respectively. For August 2013, these numbers were 3.56 and 4.16, respectively. And for September 2013, these numbers were 3.56 and 4.16, respectively.

Upon information and belief, for the time period of June 2013, PINE GROVE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP dba Pine Grove Healthcare & Wellness Centre maintained merely 2.87 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.23 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for July 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 3.94 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.32. For August 2013, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 2.87 and 4.23 respectively. For September 2013,

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these numbers were 3.94 and 4.32 respectively. For November 2013, these numbers were 2.65 and 4.53, respectively. For December 2013, these numbers were 3.94 and 4.32, respectively. For January 2014, these numbers were 3.94 and 4.32, respectively. And for February 2014, these numbers were 43.94 and 4.32, respectively.

- 142. Upon information and belief, for the time period of April 2013, Defendant SAN GABRIEL HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP dba Ivy Creek Healthcare & Wellness Centre maintained merely 3.90 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.00 given the high acuity levels of residents at the facility. Similarly, for May 2013, this Defendant maintained merely 3.90 adjusted nursing hours per patient day, at a time when the expected nursing hours per patient day per CMS was 4.00. For June 2013, the adjusted and expected staffing numbers were 3.90 and 4.00, respectively. And for July 2013, these numbers were 3.90 and 4.00 respectively.
- 143. At all times relevant hereto, DEFENDANTS actively and intentionally concealed from Plaintiff and members of the class the material facts relating to the chronic understaffing alleged hereinabove in paragraphs 97 through 142. It is alleged that this concealment by DEFENDANTS was intended to deceive Plaintiff and members of the class into believing that DEFENDANTS' facilities were properly staffed to induce Plaintiff and class members into becoming residents of DEFENDANTS' facilities. That Plaintiff and members of the class, all in infirm health, elderly, and/or in need of skilled nursing care and members of one of the most vulnerable segments of our society, were unsophisticated in the operation of skilled nursing facilities in the State of California and had no knowledge of the facts concealed by DEFENDANTS and could not have discovered those concealed facts due to, among other things, their extremely vulnerable status. Had the concealed facts been disclosed to Plaintiff and members of the class, they would not have become residents of DEFENDANTS' facilities and would not have paid, or had monies paid on their behalf, for the substandard skilled nursing care at DEFENDANTS' facilities.
- Indeed, rather than providing care and services consistent with the aforementioned 144. representations and which protected the rights of their residents, and as a result at least in part of the chronic understaffing alleged hereinabove, the DEFENDANTS consistently provided substandard

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care to their residents as evidenced by the defendant facilities repeatedly receiving citations of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health which found that the defendant facilities consistently violated the rights of their residents and provided substandard care to their residents. The DEFENDANTS concealed these facts from prospective residents, Plaintiff and the class and instead made the material misrepresentations set forth above.

145. For instance, B-EAST, LLC dba Presidio Healthcare Center was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, B-EAST, LLC dba Presidio Healthcare Center received forty-three notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, B-EAST, LLC dba Presidio Healthcare Center received thirtyfive notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received eighteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2010, it received a mind-boggling seventy-one notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

B-SAN DIEGO, LLC dba Brighton Place - San Diego was found by the California 146. Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, B-SAN DIEGO, LLC dba Brighton Place - San Diego received thirty-six notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, B-SAN DIEGO, LLC dba Brighton Place - San Diego received twelve notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received a mindboggling twenty-six notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2010, it received twenty-six notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and

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B - SPRING VALLEY, LLC dba Brighton Place - Spring Valley was found by the 147. California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, B-SPRING VALLEY, LLC dba Brighton Place - Spring Valley received thirtythree notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, B-SPRING VALLEY, LLC dba Brighton Place - Spring Valley received thirty notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received thirty-two notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2010 it received thirty-two notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

CNRC, LLC dba California Nursing & Rehabilitation Center was found by the 148. California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, CNRC, LLC dba California Nursing & Rehabilitation Center received eleven notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, CNRC, LLC dba California Nursing & Rehabilitation Center received eight notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received twenty-four notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2010 it received six notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

149. POINT LOMA REHABILITATION CENTER, LLC dba Point Loma Convalescent Hospital was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long

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and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, POINT LOMA REHABILITATION CENTER, LLC dba Point Loma Convalescent Hospital received thirty-one notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. In 2012, POINT LOMA REHABILITATION CENTER, LLC dba Point Loma Convalescent Hospital received twenty-six notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2011, POINT LOMA REHABILITATION CENTER, LLC dba Point Loma Convalescent Hospital received twenty-five notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2010, it received twenty-five notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2009, it received eighteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE - WEST, LLC dba 150. Centinela Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre - West was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE - WEST LLC dba Centinela Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre - West received twenty-two notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE - WEST, LLC dba Centinela Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre - West received fourteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received eighteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2010 it received twenty-eight notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

151. CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE - EAST, LLC dba

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- HIGHLAND PARK SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Highland Park Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, HIGHLAND PARK SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Highland Park Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre received nine notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2010, HIGHLAND PARK SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Highland Park Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre received eighteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents.
- LAIBCO, LLC dba Las Flores Convalescent Hospital was found by the California 153. Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident

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rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, LAIBCO, LLC dba Las Flores Convalescent Hospital received sixteen notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. In 2011, LAIBCO, LLC dba Las Flores Convalescent Hospital received seventeen notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2009, LAIBCO, LLC dba Las Flores Convalescent Hospital received thirty-one notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents.

154. SOUTH PASADENA REHABILITATION CENTER, LLC dba South Pasadena Convalescent Hospital was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, SOUTH PASADENA REHABILITATION CENTER, LLC dba South Pasadena Convalescent Hospital received twenty-four notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2011, SOUTH PASADENA REHABILITATION CENTER, LLC dba South Pasadena Convalescent Hospital received fifteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents.

LIGHTHOUSE HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC dba Lighthouse Healthcare Center was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2012, LIGHTHOUSE HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC dba Lighthouse Healthcare Center received eleven notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2011,

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LIGHTHOUSE HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC dba Lighthouse Healthcare Center received twentyfour notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2010, it received seventeen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2009 it received twenty notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

VERNON HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC dba Vernon Healthcare Center was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, VERNON HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC dba Vernon Healthcare Center received nine notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2011, VERNON HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC dba Vernon Healthcare Center received ten notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2010, it received twenty-nine notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. And in 2009, it received twenty-three notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents.

157. NORWALK SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Norwalk Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, NORWALK SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Norwalk Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre received ten notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, NORWALK SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Norwalk Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre received eleven notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents.

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159. For instance, MAYWOOD SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Maywood Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, MAYWOOD SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Maywood Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre received ten notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, MAYWOOD SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Maywood Skilled Nursing & Wellness Centre received twenty-one notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2010, it received twenty-one notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents.

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160. WISH-I-AH HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Wish-I-Ah Healthcare & Wellness Centre was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, WISH-I-AH HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Wish-I-Ah Healthcare & Wellness Centre received twenty-three notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, WISH-I-AH HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Wish-I-Ah Healthcare & Wellness Centre received nineteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received forty-one notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2010 it received eighteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

161. FRESNO SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba The Rehabilitation Center of Fresno was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, FRESNO SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba The Rehabilitation Center of Fresno received fourteen notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, FRESNO SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba The Rehabilitation Center of Fresno received seventeen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received forty notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2010 it received twenty-one notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

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OAKHURST HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Oakhurst 162. Healthcare & Wellness Centre was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, OAKHURST HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Oakhurst Healthcare & Wellness Centre received eleven notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, OAKHURST HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Oakhurst Healthcare & Wellness Centre received twenty-two notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received seventeen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2010 it received eleven notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

EUREKA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Eureka 163. Rehabilitation & Wellness Center was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, EUREKA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Eureka Rehabilitation & Wellness Center received twenty notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, EUREKA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Eureka Rehabilitation & Wellness Center received twenty-three notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received forty-two notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2010 it received twenty-six notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

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164. GRANADA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Granada Rehabilitation & Wellness Center was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, GRANADA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Granada Rehabilitation & Wellness Center received seventeen notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, GRANADA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Granada Rehabilitation & Wellness Center received twenty-five notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received thirty-five notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2010 it received forty-one notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

165. PACIFIC REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Pacific Rehabilitation & Wellness Center was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2012, PACIFIC REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Pacific Rehabilitation & Wellness Center received twenty-two notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2011, PACIFIC REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Pacific Rehabilitation & Wellness Center received fifteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2010, it received sixteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2009 it received twenty-two notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

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SEAVIEW REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Seaview 166. Rehabilitation & Wellness Center was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, SEAVIEW REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Seaview Rehabilitation & Wellness Center received twelve notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, SEAVIEW REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Seaview Rehabilitation & Wellness Center received twenty-six notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received sixteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2010 it received a horrendous seventy-five notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

167. FORTUNA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Fortuna Rehabilitation & Wellness Center was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2012, FORTUNA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Fortuna Rehabilitation & Wellness Center received thirty notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2011, FORTUNA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Fortuna Rehabilitation & Wellness Center received twenty-four notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2010, it received twenty-four notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2009 it received twenty-five notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

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168. GRANITE HILLS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Granite Hills Healthcare & Wellness Centre was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, GRANITE HILLS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Granite Hills Healthcare & Wellness Centre received twenty-six notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. For example, in 2012, GRANITE HILLS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Granite Hills Healthcare & Wellness Centre received thirty notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2011, GRANITE HILLS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Granite Hills Healthcare & Wellness Centre received a mind-boggling seventy-four notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2010, it received thirty-nine notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents.

CLAIREMONT HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Clairemont 169. Healthcare & Wellness Centre was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, CLAIREMONT HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Clairemont Healthcare & Wellness Centre received twelve notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, CLAIREMONT HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Clairemont Healthcare & Wellness Centre received forty-six notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received fifty-eight notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2010

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it received forty-four notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

170. IMPERIAL HEIGHTS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Imperial Heights Healthcare & Wellness Centre was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, IMPERIAL HEIGHTS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Imperial Heights Healthcare & Wellness Centre received twenty-four notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, IMPERIAL HEIGHTS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Imperial Heights Healthcare & Wellness Centre received thirty-four notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received thirty-seven notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2010 it received twenty-four notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

171. RIVERSIDE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Alta Vista Healthcare & Wellness Centre was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, RIVERSIDE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Alta Vista Healthcare & Wellness Centre received twenty-six deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for violating resident rights and providing substandard care to its residents. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for violating resident rights was not new for this facility. In 2012, RIVERSIDE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Alta Vista Healthcare & Wellness Centre received sixteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. In 2011, RIVERSIDE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Alta Vista

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Healthcare & Wellness Centre received nineteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2010, it received seventeen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents.

172. ORANGE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Orange Healthcare & Wellness Centre was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, ORANGE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Orange Healthcare & Wellness Centre received forty-one notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, ORANGE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Orange Healthcare & Wellness Centre received *fifteen* notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received forty notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents.

173. BAKERSFIELD HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba The Rehabilitation Center of Bakersfield was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, BAKERSFIELD HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba The Rehabilitation Center of Bakersfield received forty-one notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, BAKERSFIELD HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba The Rehabilitation Center of Bakersfield received thirty-three notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2010, it received thirty-five notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2009 it received twenty-seven notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and

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174. GRIDLEY HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Gridley Healthcare & Wellness Centre was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, GRIDLEY HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS Centre, LLC dba Gridley Healthcare & Wellness Centre received thirty-one notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, GRIDLEY HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS Centre, LLC dba Gridley Healthcare & Wellness Centre received sixteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received twenty-one notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2010 it received forty-four notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

175. INDIO HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Desert Springs Healthcare & Wellness Centre was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, INDIO HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Desert Springs Healthcare & Wellness Centre received twenty-one notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, INDIO HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Desert Springs Healthcare & Wellness Centre received twentyseven notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received twenty-eight notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2010 it received thirty-one notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

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176. SKYLINE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Skyline Healthcare & Wellness Center - Los Angeles was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, SKYLINE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Skyline Healthcare & Wellness Center - Los Angeles received fifteen notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, SKYLINE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Skyline Healthcare & Wellness Center - Los Angeles received twenty-two notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received thirty-one notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents.

177. DRIFTWOOD HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Driftwood Healthcare & Wellness Center was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, DRIFTWOOD HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Driftwood Healthcare & Wellness Center received sixteen notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2011, DRIFTWOOD HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC dba Driftwood Healthcare & Wellness Center received thirteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2010, it received twenty notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2009 it received twenty-one notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

178. SOLNUS ONE, LLC dba Alameda Healthcare & Wellness Center was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and

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regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, SOLNUS ONE, LLC dba Alameda Healthcare & Wellness Center received thirtythree notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, SOLNUS ONE, LLC dba Alameda Healthcare & Wellness Center received nine notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2009, it received eighteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents.

179. SOLNUS FOUR, LLC dba San Pablo Healthcare & Wellness Center was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, SOLNUS FOUR, LLC dba San Pablo Healthcare & Wellness Center received thirty-seven notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, SOLNUS FOUR, LLC dba San Pablo Healthcare & Wellness Center received twenty-two notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received thirty-four notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents.

180. SOLNUS FIVE, LLC dba Hayward Healthcare & Wellness Center was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, SOLNUS FIVE, LLC dba Hayward Healthcare & Wellness Center received twelve notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, SOLNUS FIVE, LLC dba Hayward

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Healthcare & Wellness Center received nineteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2010, it received twenty-one notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents.

181. SOLNUS SIX, LLC dba San Jose Healthcare & Wellness Center was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, SOLNUS SIX, LLC dba San Jose Healthcare & Wellness Center received twentyseven notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, SOLNUS SIX, LLC dba San Jose Healthcare & Wellness Center received twenty notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received twenty-one notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2010 it received twenty-three notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

- SOLNUS TWO, LLC dba Oakland Healthcare & Wellness Center was found by the 182. California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2012, SOLNUS TWO, LLC dba Oakland Healthcare & Wellness Center received seventeen notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2011, SOLNUS TWO, LLC dba Oakland Healthcare & Wellness Center received twenty-one notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2009, it received thirty-one notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents.
- 183. SOLNUS SEVEN, LLC dba Cupertino Healthcare & Wellness Center was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and

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184. SOLNUS THREE, LLC dba Roseville Point Healthcare & Wellness Center was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, SOLNUS THREE, LLC dba Roseville Point Healthcare & Wellness Center received eleven notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, SOLNUS THREE, LLC dba Roseville Point Healthcare & Wellness Center received eighteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received forty-one notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2010 it received twenty-two notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

185. SOLNUS EIGHT, LLC dba The Rehabilitation Center of Oakland was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, SOLNUS EIGHT, LLC dba The Rehabilitation Center of Oakland received sixteen notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for

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substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2011, SOLNUS EIGHT, LLC dba The Rehabilitation Center of Oakland received thirty-one notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2010, it received eighteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents.

186. LAWNDALE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Lawndale Care Center was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, LAWNDALE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Lawndale Care Center received thirty notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, LAWNDALE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC dba Lawndale Care Center received thirty-four notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received twenty-one notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2010 it received a horrendous fifty notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

187. THE HEALTHCARE CENTER OF DOWNEY, LLC dba Lakewood Park Health Center was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2012, THE HEALTHCARE CENTER OF DOWNEY, LLC dba Lakewood Park Health Center received twenty-nine notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2011, THE HEALTHCARE CENTER OF DOWNEY, LLC dba Lakewood Park Health Center received fiteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2010, it received eighteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents.

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188. SAN MARINO GARDENS WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Pasadena Park Healthcare & Wellness Center was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, SAN MARINO GARDENS WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Pasadena Park Healthcare & Wellness Center received seventeen notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, SAN MARINO GARDENS WELLNESS CENTER, LP dba Pasadena Park Healthcare & Wellness Center received twenty-four notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents. In 2011, it received eighteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents, and in 2010 it received thirteen notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents and violating applicable regulations.

NOTELLAGE CORPORATION dba College Vista Convalescent Hospital was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2012, NOTELLAGE CORPORATION dba College Vista Convalescent Hospital received nineteen notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2011, NOTELLAGE CORPORATION dba College Vista Convalescent Hospital received twenty notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents.

190. FOUR SEASONS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER dba Four Seasons Healthcare & Wellness Center was found by the California Department of Public Health to be in chronic violation of applicable rules, laws and regulations via state surveys and complaint investigations including a long and lengthy history of violating resident rights and providing substandard care to residents throughout the class period. For example, in 2013, FOUR SEASONS

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HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER dba Four Seasons Healthcare & Wellness Center received thirteen notices of deficiencies from the California Department of Public Health for providing substandard care to their residents and violating resident rights. Unfortunately, the issuance of deficiencies for substandard care was not new for this facility. In 2012, FOUR SEASONS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER dba Four Seasons Healthcare & Wellness Center received twenty-four notices of deficiencies for providing substandard care to its residents.

- 191. At all times relevant hereto, DEFENDANTS actively and intentionally concealed from Plaintiff and members of the class the material facts alleged hereinabove in paragraphs 97 to 190. It is alleged that this concealment by DEFENDANTS was intended to deceive Plaintiff and members of the class into believing that DEFENDANTS' facilities were properly staffed to induce Plaintiff and class members into becoming residents of DEFENDANTS' facilities. That Plaintiff and members of the class, all in infirm health, elderly, and/or in need of skilled nursing care and members of one of the most vulnerable segments of our society, were unsophisticated in the operation of skilled nursing facilities in the State of California and had no knowledge of the facts concealed by DEFENDANTS and could not have discovered those concealed facts due to, among other things, their extremely vulnerable status. Had the concealed facts been disclosed to Plaintiff and members of the class, they would not have become residents of DEFENDANTS' facilities and would not have paid, or had monies paid on their behalf, for the substandard skilled nursing care at DEFENDANTS' facilities.
- 192. That at all times relevant hereto there was a such a unity of interest and ownership between the LICENSEES and the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS such that the individual distinctions between them had ceased and that the facts as alleged herein are such that an adherence to the fiction of the separate existence of the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS from that of the LICENSEES (hereinafter the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS and the LICENSEES shall be referred to collectively as the "DEFENDANTS") set forth hereinabove in paragraphs 5 through 61 would, under the particular circumstances alleged herein, sanction a fraud and/or promote injustice.
- 193. As to every one of the co-defendant subsidiaries set forth above in paragraphs 5 through 61, and based upon information and belief, there exists management and/or consulting agreements which define the terms and conditions of the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS' total and

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complete control of the operations of each of the co-defendant skilled nursing facility subsidiaries, and most specifically, misrepresentations made by the facilities as to the standard and quality of the services provided. Pursuant to these management agreements with each of the skilled nursing facilities, and other mechanisms presently unknown to Plaintiff and according to proof at time of trial, the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS have total operational control of the facilities.

194. In addition to management and consulting agreements between the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS and the LICENSEES, it is alleged upon information and belief that the managerial and operational control that the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS exert over the LICENSEES is also achieved through the implementation of uniform policies and procedures that the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS disseminate to the LICENSEES and with which the LICENSEES and their employees and agents are mandated to comply. That these policies and procedures are uniform on a corporate-wide basis and do not differ from one defendant Facility to the next.

195. It is alleged upon information and belief that the managerial and operational control that the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS exert over the LICENSEES is further achieved through the creation and implementation of a uniform, corporate-wide employee handbook with which all employees of the LICENSEES must comply. This uniform, corporate-wide employee handbook was generated by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS for mandatory use by each employee of each of the LICENSEES regardless of the location of the LICENSEE employee; that is, the employee handbook disseminated to employees is identical regardless of the employee's location and does not differ from one Defendant Facility to the next.

It is alleged upon information and belief that the managerial and operational control 196. that the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS exert over the LICENSEES is further achieved through the creation and implementation of a uniform, corporate-wide employee job descriptions which uniformly set forth the job responsibilities of employees of the Defendant Facilities. These uniform, corporatewide employee job descriptions were generated by the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS for mandatory use by each LICENSEE and describe the job duties of each employee regardless of the location of the employee; that is, the employee job descriptions are identical and do not differ from one Defendant Facility to the next.

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197. While the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS exert complete operational control over the LICENSEES as set forth in the immediately preceding paragraphs, pursuant to applicable state law the LICENSEES also remain responsible to their licensing authority (the Department of Public Health) for their conduct in the exercise of their licenses and each has the "responsibility to see to it that the license is not used in violation of law." California Assn. of Health Facilities v. Department of Health Services (1997) 16 Cal.4th 284, 295. In fact, Title 22 C.C.R. §72501 mandates that each LICENSEE "shall be responsible for compliance with the licensing requirements and for the organization, management, operation and control of the licensed facility. The delegation of any authority by a licensee shall not diminish the responsibilities of such licensee." Title 22 C.C.R. §72501.

198. To be so responsible to the licensing authority, each of the LICENSEES must comply with applicable statutes and Title 22 regulations, which the Legislature has explicitly mandated prescribe standards of care relating to the adequacy of staffing and services to be provided. Specifically, Health & Safety Code §1276 states in relevant part that "the regulations adopted by the state department shall, as applicable, prescribe standards of adequacy, safety, and sanitation of the physical plant, of staffing with duly qualified licensed personnel, and of services, based on the type of health facility and the needs of the persons served thereby." Health & Safety Code §1276.

Thus, DEFENDANTS' violations of resident rights and false misrepresentations and 199. concealments that their services are of a particular standard or quality when in fact they are not as fully alleged herein is the joint responsibility of the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS and the LICENSEES pursuant to the mechanisms described hereinabove and applicable provisions of the Health & Safety Code and Title 22 regulations. In addition, as a result of entering into management and consulting agreements, the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS and LICENSEES have fraudulently and unlawfully agreed and conspired together to institute and implement operational and managerial protocols and procedures that led directly to the violations of resident rights and false misrepresentations that the services to be provided are of a particular standard or quality when in fact they are not. Because the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS and LICENSEES are jointly responsible for the injuries suffered by Plaintiff and the class as fully alleged herein and the injuries were the

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result of an unlawful conspiracy between the MANAGEMENT DEFENDANTS and LICENSEES, Plaintiff has standing to sue each of the named DEFENDANTS herein.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION VIOLATIONS OF THE CONSUMER LEGAL REMEDIES ACT (Civil Code §1750, et seq.) [By PLAINTIFF Against All DEFENDANTS]

- 200. Plaintiff refers to, and incorporates herein by this reference, paragraphs 1 through 199 above, as though fully set forth herein.
- 201. The DEFENDANTS make representations to prospective residents and their families, and others similarly situated via their uniform admission agreements as set forth more fully in paragraphs 73 through 96 inclusive of this Complaint
- 202. These representations by DEFENDANTS were intended to induce and lure elderly residents (and their representatives) into agreeing to be admitted to their skilled nursing facilities based on false and misleading representations without disclosing that DEFENDANTS cannot and do not provide the represented level and quality of care to residents.
- 203. The representations DEFENDANTS made in their uniform admission agreement were false and known to be false when made as set forth more fully in paragraphs 80 through 96 inclusive of this Complaint.
- 204. Plaintiff and the class relied on these misrepresentations into becoming residents of the DEFENDANTS' facilities. In reliance of these misrepresentations, the Plaintiff and the class made payments to the DEFENDANTS in return for these services as promised. Plaintiff and the class suffered pecuniary harm in the form of lost payments and lost services when the DEFENDANTS actually failed to provide these promised skilled nursing services as represented.
- 205. As a result, Defendants have violated and continue to violate the Consumer Legal Remedies Act, Civil Code §1770 et seq. ("CLRA") in at least the following respects:
 - In violation of section 1770(a)(5), the defendants' acts and practices a. constitute misrepresentations that the skilled nursing care that they purport to provide had characteristics, standards, performance and level of quality which it did not have; and

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- b. In violation of section 1770(a)(7), the defendants have misrepresented that the skilled nursing care that they purport to provide is of a particular standard, quality and/or grade, when it is not.
- c. In violation of section 1770(a)(9), the defendants have misrepresented the nature of their skilled nursing services with the intent not to sell them as represented.
- c. In violation of section 1770(a)(14), the defendants have misrepresented that the transaction of entering into admission agreement with Defendants conferred or involved rights, remedies, or obligations which the transaction did not have or involve, or which was prohibited by law.
- 206. Pursuant to Section 1782, in conjunction with the filing of this complaint, Plaintiff will notify DEFENDANTS in writing of the asserted violations of Section 1770 and demanded that DEFENDANTS rectify the conduct described above.
- If DEFENDANTS have failed to take appropriate corrective or remedial action or failed to agree to take such action within 30 days after receipt of the notice, PLAINTIFF will amend this complaint to request actual damages, plus punitive damages, interest and attorneys' fees. Pursuant to Section 1782(2), plaintiff seeks an order enjoining the above-described wrongful acts and practices of DEFENDANTS, plus costs and attorneys' fees, and any other relief which the Court deems proper.
- 208. Plaintiff and members of the class are "senior citizens" as defined by Section 1761(f) and meet the requirements of Section 1780(b) to each be entitled to an award of \$5,000 in addition to the other remedies available under the CLRA.
- 209. The Defendants' conduct as alleged in this cause of action was, and is, malicious, oppressive and/or fraudulent.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION VIOLATION OF THE BUSINESS & PROFESSIONS CODE §§17200 AND 17500 <u>AGAINST ALL DEFENDANTS</u>

210. PLAINTIFF refers to, and incorporates herein by this reference, paragraphs 1 through 209 above, as though fully set forth herein.

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The conduct of the DEFENDANTS, as alleged, is part of a general business practice of 211. the DEFENDANTS, and all facilities owned, managed and/or operated by these DEFENDANTS, in the State of California, conceived and implemented by DEFENDANTS. This practice exists in part because the Defendants unreasonably expect few adverse consequences will flow from the mistreatment of their elderly and vulnerable clientele, and DEFENDANTS made a considered decision to promote profit at the expense of their statutory and regulatory obligations, as well as their moral, legal and ethical obligations to their residents. This practice exists so as to maximize profit by retaining monies that were paid to the DEFENDANTS for the care and services to be provided to residents of DEFENDANTS' facilities. That is, DEFENDANTS, for a period of four years preceding the filing of the complaint in this matter, received payment from, and/or on behalf of, Plaintiff and class members for services which were not rendered as represented, granting DEFENDANTS a windfall of profit derived from violation of law.

- 212. It has been expressly acknowledged by the California State Legislature that elder and infirm adults are a disadvantaged class of citizens. That it serves an important and vital State interest to protect these elders from financial abuse and pecuniary as defined in California law.
- 213. That in their entering into admission agreements with Plaintiff and members of the class, the DEFENDANTS violated, without limitation to that adduced through the discovery process, Health & Safety Code §§1430(b), and 1599.1(a), Civil Code §1750, et seq., and Title 22 C.C.R. §72527(a)(12) and (a)(25). The DEFENDANTS failed to meet these duties to Plaintiff and class members, in violation of law.
- 214. These practices constitute unfair, unlawful and fraudulent business practices within the meaning of Business and Professions Code §§17200, et seq.
- 215. That in misrepresenting and making "false claims" as to the services to be provided to their residents, the DEFENDANTS have engaged in deceptive and fraudulent business practices within the meaning of Business and Professions Code §§17500, et seq.

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as though set forth below.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

(Randi W. v. Muroc (1997) 14 Cal.4th 1066; McCall c. Pacifcare of Cal. Inc. (2001) 25 Cal.4th. 412) By Plaintiff Against All Defendants

Plaintiff hereby incorporates the allegations asserted in paragraphs 1 through 215 above

- 217. DEFENDANTS make representations to the DPH, DHCS, and CMS to secure their annual "renewal license" and to secure funding to operate DEFENDANTS' facilities.
- 218. To renew their licenses DEFENDANTS affirm that they "accept responsibility to comply with health and safety codes and regulations concerning licensing..." under penalty of perjury.
- 219. The assertions and representations DEFENDANTS make under penalty of perjury that they "accept responsibility to comply with health and safety codes and regulations concerning licensing..." were, and are, false and knowingly false when made.
- The truth of the matter is that DEFENDANTS were and are, in chronic violation of 220. applicable rules, laws and regulations, and have chronically underfunded and understaffed their facilities, and yet routinely failed to report these violations to licensing and other governmental agencies as required. The DEFENDANTS engaged in a systemic effort to fraudulently conceal their abject and continuing violation of applicable, rules, laws and regulations in the operation of their facilities by:
 - Repeatedly failing to file "home office cost reports" with DHCS, part of an intentional effort to conceal DEFENDANTS' financial malfeasance in the operation of their facilities. (See Exhibit 3.)
 - Intentionally disclosing information to DHCS, including cost reports, which are incomplete and inconsistent with information previously disclosed and which are contrary to records maintained by the California Secretary of State. (See Exhibit 3.)
 - Concealing from DHCS the facilities in which the DEFENDANTS had ownership interests, in order to evade regulatory oversight of those facilities. (See Exhibit 3.)

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- Fraudulently misrepresenting to DHCS that Defendants Brius Management Co., Inc. and Brius, LLC have no assets, no liabilities, no income, and no expenses. (See Exhibit 3.)
- Intentionally concealing from DHCS the DEFENDANTS' business relationships with, control of, and ownership interests in, related administrative companies including but not limited to Rockport Healthcare Services. (See Exhibit 3.)
- 221. That the DPH relied upon the accuracy of DEFENDANTS' representations in granting licensure to DEFENDANTS, and DHCS and CMS relied on the accuracy of DEFENDANTS' representations in authorizing Medicaid and Medicare payments to DEFENDANTS' facilities.
- 222. Had the DPH, DHCS and CMS in fact known that these representations by the DEFENDANTS were false they would not have granted and renewed licensure, or approved payments for DEFENDANTS' facilities and accordingly, the DEFENDANTS facilities would not have then been able to admit and injure Plaintiff and class members as alleged above.
- 223. When making these representations to DPH, DHCS, and CMS, the DEFENDANTS knew and could reasonably foresee that persons seeking care and services at a skilled nursing facility, such as Plaintiff and members of the class, would rely on the fact that the skilled nursing facility was licensed and sufficiently funded in choosing a facility in which to reside.
- 224. The DEFENDANTS, as care custodians for Plaintiff and class members, owed a duty of care to Plaintiff and class members not to intentionally misrepresent and conceal the Facilities' regulatory violations and inadequate funding of the facilities to DPH, DHCS, and CMS in licensing and licensing applications, cost reports, and other submissions to these governmental entities.
- 225. The DEFENDANTS made the misrepresentations to, and concealed material facts from, the DPH, DHCS, and CMS as alleged herein with the intent to induce Plaintiff and class members to be admitted to or remain in DEFENDANTS' facilities in that DEFENDANTS knew and could reasonably foresee that potential residents of their facilities such as Plaintiff and class members would not have paid, or had paid on their behalf, monies to reside at an unlicensed, underfunded, and/or understaffed skilled nursing facility.
- 226. Plaintiff and class members did rely on the fact that DEFENDANTS' facilities were licensed, in regulatory compliance, and adequately funded in being placed as residents at the

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DEFENDANTS' facilities. Plaintiff and class members would not have agreed to become residents at DEFENDANTS' facilities if the true facts had been known, nor would any reasonable person.

- 227. That the reliance by Plaintiff and class members was justified. Further, a reasonable person would have relied upon the alleged misrepresentations regarding the licensure status, regulatory compliance, and funding of the DEFENDANTS' facilities such that justifiable reliance by Plaintiff and class members can also be inferred.
- As the direct result of said breaches by the DEFENDANTS, Plaintiff and class members suffered injury in an amount and manner more specifically alleged above and according to proof at time of trial.
- 229. That in doing the acts alleged of herein, DEFENDANTS acted in a malicious, oppressive and /or fraudulent manner.

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION VIOLATION OF RESIDENT RIGHTS (Health & Saf. Code §1430(b)) BY PLAINTIFF AGAINST ALL DEFENDANTS

- Plaintiff refers to, and incorporates herein by this reference, paragraphs 1 through 229 230. above, as though fully set forth herein.
- Health & Safety Code §1430(b) creates a private right of action for any resident or 231. patient of a skilled nursing facility against the licensee of the facility that violates any rights of the resident or patient as set forth in the Patients Bill of Rights. As reflected in Health & Safety Code §1599.1 and 22 CCR. §72527, the defendants have systematically violated resident rights in each of their facilities throughout the State of California.
- 232. Health & Safety Code §1430(b) also provides that "a current or former resident or patient of a skilled nursing facility as defined in subdivision (c) of section 1250 may bring a civil action against the licensee of a facility who violates any rights of the resident or patient as set forth in the Patients Bill of Rights in §72527 of Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations (which incorporates Health & Safety Code §1599.1) or any other right provided for by federal or state law or regulation."
 - The defendants' skilled nursing facilities systematically and systemically violated 233.

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myriad regulations governing the operation of skilled nursing facilities in the State of California as evidenced by citations of deficiencies issued to the defendants' facilities by the State of California Department of Public Health for the provision of substandard care to residents and the violation of regulations by these defendants as more fully set forth in this Complaint. The violations of these regulations also amount to violations of Health & Safety Code §1430(b).

Among other remedies, Health & Safety Code §1430(b) authorizes the recovery of 234. statutory damages up to \$500.00 per violation, attorneys' fees and costs. Health & Safety Code §1430(b). These remedies are cumulative to any other remedies provided by law. Health & Safety Code §1430(c). Given that the violation involves elderly residents, the statutory damage award is subject to trebling under Civil Code §3345.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff prays for judgment as follows:

- 1. For a Court order certifying that the action may be maintained as a class and/or representative action;
- For an Order permanently enjoining defendants, and each of them, from violating 2. residents' rights pursuant to Health & Safety Code §1430(b). For an injunction, requiring that:
 - the Defendants report to DPH all incidents of actual or suspected abuse or a. neglect (as defined by law) of which it has learned in the last three (3) years at each of their facilities, which were not reported to DPH, Adult Protective Services and/or Law Enforcement:
 - b. the Defendants provide proof to the Court of compliance with the reporting requirements over the last three (3) years for any and all such incidents in the form of a copy of the report submitted to DPH;
 - the Defendants facilities each conduct quarterly, confidential surveys of all c. residents and residents' representatives inquiring whether any conduct which may be deemed suspected abuse and/or neglect, and/or a violation of residents' rights has occurred (with a clear, court approved definition of these terms included, with examples), and requiring that the responses to these surveys be

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turned over to the Long Term Care Ombudsman assigned to the pertinent facility for review. Further, after providing confidential surveys in unredacted form to the Ombudsman, the facilities shall than redact only the name of the individual residents who completed the survey (or on whose behalf the survey was completed) from the surveys, and maintain copies of those surveys for a period of five (5) years, and that the surveys be made available (with names redacted) to any prospective resident, or their representative, any current resident, or their representative, or any past resident, or their representative, within 24 hours of a request;

- d. the Defendants' facilities each notify all current residents of this injunction by providing a copy of the injunction to them and their power of attorney/responsible party and/or personal representative, if any;
- the Defendants' facilities each notify all future residents (at the time the e. admission agreement is signed) by providing a copy of this injunction during the period for which this injunction is in force to any new resident and to his or her power of attorney/responsible party and/or personal representative, if any;
- f. That this injunction shall remain in full force and effect until the earlier of either of the following; (1) ten years from the date of entry of judgment, or (2) five years if no other violations of the injunction have been found by this or any other Court of competent jurisdiction regarding Defendants' facilities. The burden of proof to obtain the shorter period shall be on the Defendants;
- This injunction shall be enforced by the Court upon motion of any interested g. party (i.e., plaintiffs or any other current or former resident (and/or their power of attorney/responsible party and/or personal representative, if any, or any employee of the Defendants' facilities) and/or the filing of a new action of any such interested party. Each separately identifiable violation of this injunction shall be punishable by a \$5,000 fine payable to the person filing the motion or bringing the action and a payment of all reasonable attorney's fees and costs

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incurred by the person bringing the motion or action against the Facility for violation of the injunction. A separate, identifiable violation includes for example, each giving of a dose of medication that is not prescribed is a separate violation that each resident may demand, separately;

the Defendants' facilities shall each draft a policy and procedure to the

- satisfaction of the Court covering the handling of suspected abuse and neglect reporting as well as the obligation to asses and document patients' needs immediately upon arrival and when an emergency occurs; and on staffing; and i. the Defendants' facilities shall each prepare a training program to the satisfaction of the Court to train its staff on the new policies and procedures: and shall submit verification, under oath, of compliance with that training program by all employees of each of the facilities within 12 months, and then
- 3. For attorneys fees and costs as allowed by law according to proof at the time of trial, including, but not limited to attorneys' fees pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure §1021.5 and *Health & Safety Code* §1430(b);

repeated annually during the term of this judgment;

- 4. For punitive damages as allowed by law;
- 5. For statutory damages and penalties pursuant to Health & Safety Code §1430(b) (as it relates to the Fourth Cause of Action only);
- 6. For treble damages pursuant to Civil Code §3345 (as it relates to the Second Cause of Action only);
- 7. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

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CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES

CALIFORNIA STANDARD ADMISSION AGREEMENT FOR SKILLED NURSING FACILITIES AND INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITIES

State of California
Health and Human Services Agency
California Department of Public Health



CALIFORNIA STANDARD ADMISSION AGREEMENT FOR SKILLED NURSING FACILITIES AND INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITIES

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Resident Name:	
Admission Date: _	Resident Number:
Facility Name:	
	IFORNIA STANDARD ADMISSION AGREEMENT URSING FACILITIES AND INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITIES
Preamble	

The California Standard Admission Agreement is an admission contract that this Facility is required by state law and regulation to use. It is a legally binding agreement that defines the rights and obligations of each person (or party) signing the contract. Please read this Agreement carefully before you sign it. If you have any questions, please discuss them with Facility staff before you sign the agreement. You are encouraged to have this contract reviewed by your legal representative, or by any other advisor of your choice, before you sign it.

You may also call the Office of the State Long Term Care Ombudsman at 1-800-231-4024, for more information about this Facility. The report of the most recent state licensing visit to our facility is posted at the entrance to the unit, and a copy of it or of reports of prior inspections may be obtained from the local office of the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), Licensing and Certification Division 850 Marina Bay Pkwy. Building P Richmond, CA 94804 (Location of District Office)

If our facility participates in the Medi-Cal or Medicare programs, we will keep survey, certification and complaint investigation reports for the past three years and will make these reports available for anyone to review upon request.

If you are able to do so, you are required to sign this Agreement in order to be admitted to this Facility. If you are not able to sign this Agreement, your representative may sign it for you. You shall not be required to sign any other document at the time of, or as a condition of, admission to this Facility.

11. Identification of Parties to this Agreement

DEFINITIONS

In order to make this Agreement more easily understood, references to "we," "our," "us," "the Facility," or "our Facility" are references to:

Home for Jewish	Parents	
(Insert the Name)	of the Facility as it annears on its License)	

Attachment A provides you with the name of the owner and licensee of this facility, and the name and contact information of a single entity responsible for all aspects of patient care and operation at this facility. References to "you," "your," "Patient," or "Resident" are references to _____, the person who will be receiving care in this Facility. For purposes of this Agreement, "Resident" has the same meaning as "Patient." The parties to this agreement are the Resident, the Facility, and the Resident's Representative. References to the "Resident's Representative" are references to: , the person who will sign on your behalf to admit you to this Facility, and/or who is authorized to make decisions for you in the event that you are unable to. To the extent permitted by law, you may designate a person as your Representative at any time. Note: the person indicated as your "Resident's Representative" may be a family member, or by law, any of the following: a conservator, a person designated under the Resident's Advance Health Care Directive or Power of Attorney for Health Care, the Resident's next of kin, any other person designated by the Resident consistent with State law, a person authorized by a court, or, if the Resident is a minor, a person authorized by law to represent the minor. Signing this Agreement as a Resident's Representative does not, in and of itself, make the Resident's Representative liable for the Resident's debts. However, a Resident's Representative acting as the Resident's financial conservator or otherwise responsible for distribution of the Resident's monies shall provide reimbursements from the Resident's assets to the Facility in compliance with Section V. of the agreement. IF OUR FACILITY PARTICIPATES IN THE MEDI-CAL OR MEDICARE PROGRAM, OUR FACILITY DOES NOT REQUIRE THAT YOU HAVE ANYONE GUARANTEE PAYMENT FOR YOUR CARE BY SIGNING OR COSIGNING THIS ADMISSION AGREEMENT AS A CONDITION OF ADMISSION. The Parties to this Agreement are: Resident: (Type or Print Resident's Name Here) Resident's Representative: ___ (Type or Print Representative's Name Here)

(Type or Print the Facility's Name as it appears on the License)

Relationship:

Facility: Home for Jewish Parents

III. Consent to Treatment

The Resident hereby consents to routine nursing care provided by this Facility, as well as emergency care that may be required.

However, you have the right, to the extent permitted by law, to refuse any treatment and the right to be informed of potential medical consequences should you refuse treatment. We will keep you informed about the routine nursing and emergency care we provide to you, and we will answer your questions about the care and services we provide you.

If you are, or become, incapable of making your own medical decisions, we will follow the direction of a person with legal authority to make medical treatment decisions on your behalf, such as a guardian, conservator, next of kin, or a person designated in an Advance Health Care Directive or Power of Attorney for Health Care.

Following admission, we encourage you to provide us with an Advance Health Care Directive specifying your wishes as to the care and services you want to receive in certain circumstances. However, you are not required to prepare one, or to provide us a copy of one, as a condition of admission to our Facility. If you already have an Advance Health Care Directive, it is important that you provide us with a copy so that we may inform our staff.

If you do not know how to prepare an Advance Health Care Directive and wish to prepare one, we will help you find someone to assist you in doing so.

IV. Your Rights as a Resident

Residents of this Facility keep all their basic rights and liberties as a citizen or resident of the United States when, and after, they are admitted. Because these rights are so important, both federal and state laws and regulations describe them in detail, and state law requires that a comprehensive Resident Bill of Rights be attached to this Agreement.

Attachment F, entitled "Resident Bill of Rights," lists your rights, as set forth in State and Federal law. For your information, the attachment also provides the location of your rights in statute.

Violations of state laws and regulations identified above may subject our Facility and our staff to civil or criminal proceedings. You have the right to voice grievances to us without fear of any reprisal, and you may submit complaints or any questions or concerns you may have about our services or your rights to the local office of the California Department of Public Health, Licensing and Certification District Office _____, or to the State Long-Term

Care Ombudsman (see page 1 for contact information).

You s acknown here:	should review the attached "Resident Bill of Rights" very carefully. To owledge that you have been informed of the "Resident Bill of Rights," please sign
٧.	Financial Arrangements
Begir nursi	nning on(date), we will provide routine ng and emergency care and other services to you in exchange for payment.
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	Medicare Part A Medicare Part B: Private Insurance: (Enter Insurance Company Name and Policy Number)
	Managed Care Organization: Other:
the Ro consid share	lent's Share of Cost. Medi-Cal, Medicare, or a private payor may require that esident pay a co-payment, co-insurance, or a deductible, all of which the Facility ders to be the Resident's share of cost. Failure by the Resident to pay his or her of cost is grounds for involuntary discharge of the Resident. do not know whether your care in our Facility can be covered by Medi-Cal or
Medic Facilit	gare, we will help you get the information you need. You should note that, if our y does not participate in Medi-Cal or Medicare and you later want these mans to cover the cost of your care, you may be required to leave our Facility.
Facilit withdr accep you as on the Medi-(y notified the California Department of Health Care Services of our intent to aw from the Medi-Cal Program. If you are admitted after that date, we cannot t Medi-Cal reimbursement on your behalf, and we will not be required to retain a Resident if you convert to Medi-Cal reimbursement during your stay here. If, other hand, you were a Resident here on that date, we are required to accept Cal reimbursement on your behalf, even if you become eligible for Medi-Cal ursement after that date.

YOU SHOULD BE AWARE THAT NO FACILITY THAT PARTICIPATES IN THE MEDI-CAL PROGRAM MAY REQUIRE ANY RESIDENT TO REMAIN IN PRIVATE PAY STATUS FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME BEFORE CONVERTING TO MEDI-CAL COVERAGE. NOR, AS A CONDITION OF ADMISSION OR CONTINUED STAY IN SUCH A FACILITY, MAY THE FACILITY REQUIRE ORAL OR WRITTEN ASSURANCE FROM A RESIDENT THAT HE OR SHE IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR, OR WILL NOT APPLY FOR, MEDICARE OR MEDI-CAL BENEFITS.

A. Charges for Private Pav Residents

Our Facility ch	arges the following basic daily rates:
\$	for a private, single bed room
\$	for a room with two beds
\$	for a room with three beds
\$	for(Specify any other accommodation here)

The basic daily rate for private pay and privately insured Residents includes payment for the services and supplies described in **Attachment B-1**.

The basic daily rate will be charged for the day of admission, but not for any day beyond the day of discharge or death. However, if you are voluntarily discharged from the Facility less than 3 days after the date of admission, we may charge you for a maximum of 3 days at the basic daily rate.

We will provide you with a 30-day written notice before increasing the basic daily rate, unless the increase is required because the State increases the Medi-Cal rate to a level higher than our regular rate. In this case, state law waives the 30-day notification.

Attachment B-2 lists for private pay and privately insured Residents optional supplies and services not included in our basic daily rate, and our charges for those supplies and services. We will only charge you for optional supplies and services that you specifically request, unless the supply or service was required in an emergency. We will provide you a 30-day written notice before any increase in charges for optional supplies and services.

If you become eligible for Medi-Cal at any time after your admission, the services and supplies included in the daily rate may change, and also the list of optional supplies and services. At the time Medi-Cal confirms it will pay for your stay in this Facility, we will review and explain any changes in coverage.

B. <u>Security Deposits</u>

lf	. you	are a	a private	pay c	r privately	insured	Resident,	we	require a	security	deposit of
\$	<u>. </u>								•	•	•

We will return the security deposit to you, with no deduction for administration or handling charges, within 14 days after you close your private account or we receive payment from Medi-Cal, whichever is later.

If your care in our Facility is covered by Medi-Cal or Medicare, no security deposit is required.

C. Charges for Medi-Cal. Medicare, or Insured Residents

IF YOU ARE APPROVED FOR MEDI-CAL COVERAGE AFTER YOU ARE ADMITTED TO OUR FACILITY, YOU MAY BE ENTITLED TO A REFUND. WE WILL REFUND TO YOU ANY PAYMENTS YOU MADE FOR SERVICES AND SUPPLIES THAT ARE LATER PAID FOR BY MEDI-CAL, LESS ANY DEDUCTIBLE OR SHARE OF COST. WHEN OUR FACILITY RECEIVES PAYMENT FROM THE MEDI-CAL PROGRAM, WE WILL ISSUE A REFUND TO YOU.

If you are entitled to benefits under Medi-Cal, Medicare, or private insurance, and if we are a participating Provider, we agree to accept payment from them for our basic daily rate. NEITHER YOU NOR YOUR REPRESENTATIVE SHALL BE REQUIRED TO PAY PRIVATELY FOR ANY MEDI-CAL COVERED SERVICES PROVIDED TO YOU DURING THE TIME YOUR STAY HAS BEEN APPROVED FOR PAYMENT BY MEDI-CAL. UPON PRESENTATION OF THE MEDI-CAL CARD OR OTHER PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY, THE FACILITY SHALL SUBMIT A MEDI-CAL CLAIM FOR REIMBURSEMENT. However, you are still responsible for paying all deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, and charges for services and supplies that are not covered by Medi-Cal, Medicare, or your insurance. Please note that our Facility does not determine the amount of any deductible, copayment, or coinsurance you may be required to pay: rather, Medi-Cal, Medicare, or your insurance carrier determines these amounts.

Attachments C-1, C-2, and C-3 describe the services covered by the Medi-Cal daily rate, services that are covered by Medi-Cal but are not included in the daily rate, and services that are not covered by Medi-Cal but are available if you wish to pay for them.

Attachments D-1 and D-2 describe the services covered by Medicare, and services that are not covered by Medicare but are available if you wish to pay for them.

You should note that Medi-Cal will only pay for covered supplies and services if they are medically necessary. If Medi-Cal determines that a supply or service is not medically necessary, we will ask whether you still want that supply or service and if you are willing to pay for it yourself.

We will only charge you for optional supplies and services that you specifically request, unless the supply or service was required in an emergency. We will provide you a 30-day written notice before any increase in charges for optional supplies and services.

D. Billing and Payment

We will provide to you an itemized statement of charges that you must pay every month. You agree to pay the account monthly on the 1st of each month (enter day of month).

Payment is overdue <u>10</u>	days after the due date. A late charge at an interest
	on past due accounts and is calculated as follows:
Annually if account is more than 3	30 days past due

E. Payment of Other Refunds Due To You

As indicated in **Section C**. above, refunds may be due to you as a result of Medi-Cal paying for services and supplies you had purchased before your eligibility for Medi-Cal was approved or for any security deposit you may have made. At the time of your discharge, you may also be due other refunds, such as unused advance payments you may have made for optional services not covered by the daily rate. We will refund any money due to you within 14 days of your leaving our Facility. We will not deduct any administration or handling charges from any refund due to you.

VI. <u>Transfers and Discharges</u>

We will help arrange for your voluntary discharge or transfer to another facility.

Except in an emergency, we will not transfer you to another room within our Facility against your wishes, unless we give prior reasonable written notice to you, determined on a case by case basis, in accord with applicable state and federal requirements. For example, you have a right to refuse the transfer if the purpose of the transfer is to move you to or from a Medicare-certified bed.

Our written notice of transfer to another facility or discharge against your wishes will be provided 30 days in advance. However, we may provide less than 30 days notice if the reason for the transfer or discharge is to protect your health and safety or the health and safety of other individuals, if your improved health allows for a shorter notice, or if you have been in our Facility for less than 30 days. Our written notice will include the effective date, the location to which you will be transferred or discharged, and the reason the action is necessary.

The only reasons that we can transfer you to another facility or discharge you against your wishes are:

- 1) It is required to protect your well-being, because your needs cannot be met in our Facility;
- 2) It is appropriate because your health has improved enough that you no longer need the services of our Facility;
- 3) Your presence in our Facility endangers the health and safety of other individuals;
- 4) You have not paid for your stay in our Facility or have not arranged to have payment made under Medicare, Medi-Cal, or private insurance;
- <u>5)</u> Our Facility ceases to operate.
- 6) Material or fraudulent misrepresentation of your finances to us.

If we participate in Medi-Cal or Medicare, we will not transfer you from the Facility or discharge you solely because you change from private pay or Medicare to Medi-Cal payment.

In our written notice, we will advise you that you have the right to appeal the transfer or discharge to the California Department of Health Care Services and we will also provide the name, address, and telephone number of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman.

If you are transferred or discharged against your wishes, we will provide transfer and discharge planning as required by law.

VII. Bed Holds and Readmission

If you must be transferred to an acute hospital for seven days or less, we will notify you or your representative that we are willing to hold your bed. You or your representative have 24 hours after receiving this notice to let us know whether you want us to hold your bed for you.

If Medi-Cal is paying for your care, then Medi-Cal will pay for up to seven days for us to hold the bed for you. If you are not eligible for Medi-Cal and the daily rate is not covered by your insurance, then you are responsible for paying \$______for each day we hold the bed for you. You should be aware that Medicare does not cover costs related to holding a bed for you in these situations.

If we do not follow the notification procedure described above, we are required by law (Title 22 California Code of Regulations Sections 72520(c) and 73504(c)) to offer you the next available appropriate bed in our Facility.

You should also note that, if our Facility participates in Medi-Cal and you are eligible for Medi-Cal, if you are away from our Facility for more than seven days due to hospitalization or other medical treatment, we will readmit you to the first available bed in a semi-private room if you need the care provided by our Facility and wish to be readmitted.

VIII. Personal Property and Funds

Our Facility has a theft and loss prevention program as required by state law. At the time you are admitted, we will give you a copy of our policies and procedures regarding protection of your personal property, as well as copies of the state laws that require us to have these policies and procedures.

If our Facility participates in Medi-Cal or Medicare and you give us your written authorization, we will agree to hold personal funds for you in a manner consistent with all federal and state laws and regulations. If we are not certified for Medi-Cal or Medicare, we may offer these services but are not required to. You are not required to allow us to hold your personal funds for you as a condition of admission to our Facility. At your request, we will provide you with our policies, procedures, and authorization forms related to our holding your personal funds for you.

IX. Photographs

You agree that we may take photographs of you for identification and health care purposes. We will not take a photograph of you for any other purpose, unless you give us your prior written permission to do so.

X. Confidentiality of Your Medical Information

You have a right to confidential treatment of your medical information. You may authorize us to disclose medical information about you to a family member or other person by completing the "Authorization for Disclosure of Medical Information" form in **Attachment E**.

XI. Facility Rules and Grievance Procedure

You agree to comply with reasonable rules, policies and procedures that we establish. When you are admitted, we will give you a copy of those rules, policies, and procedures, including a procedure for you to suggest changes to them.

A copy of the Facility grievance procedure, for resolution of resident complaints about Facility practices, is available; we will also give you a copy of our grievance procedure for resolution of any complaints you may have about our Facility. You may also contact the following agencies about any grievance or complaint you may have:

California Department of Public Health Licensing and (Certification District Office
Phone number: <u>510-620-3900</u>	
(OR)	
State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Progra	m
Phone number: <u>510-685-2070</u>	

XII. Entire Agreement

This Agreement and the Attachments to it constitute the entire Agreement between you and us for the purposes of your admission to our Facility. There are no other agreements, understandings, restrictions, warranties, or representations between you and us as a condition of your admission to our Facility. This Agreement supersedes any prior agreements or understandings regarding your admission to our Facility.

All captions and headings are for convenience purposes only, and have no independent meaning.

If any provision of this Agreement becomes invalid, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

The Facility's acceptance of a partial payment on any occasion does not constitute a continuing waiver of the payment requirements of the Agreement, or otherwise limit the Facility's rights under the Agreement.

This Agreement shall be construed according to the laws of the State of California.

Other than as noted for a duly authorized Resident's Representative, the Resident may not assign or otherwise transfer his or her interests in this Agreement.

Upon your request, we shall provide you or your legal representative with a copy of the signed agreement, all attachments and any other documents you sign at admission and shall provide you with a receipt for any payments you make at admission.

By signing below, the Resident and the Facility agree to the terms of this Admission Agreement:

Representative of the Facility	Date
Resident	Date
Resident's Representative – if applicable	Date

ATTACHMENT F

RESIDENT BILL OF RIGHTS

The State of California Department of Public Health (CDPH) has prepared this comprehensive Resident Bill of Rights for people who are receiving care in skilled nursing or intermediate care facilities.

If you have any questions about what the statements in this Resident Bill of Rights mean, you may look them up in the laws or regulations. The rights are found in state laws and regulations under California Health and Safety Code Section 1599; Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 72527 for Skilled Nursing Facilities, and Section 73523 for Intermediate Care Facilities; and Chapter 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter IV, Part 483.10 et seq. The California Health and Safety Code is abbreviated as "HSC," Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations is abbreviated as "22CCR," and Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations is abbreviated as "42CFR."

You may also contact the Office of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman at 1-800-231- 4024, or the local District Office of the CDPH Licensing and Certification Division 510-620-3900 if you have any questions about the meaning of these rights.

RESIDENT BILL OF RIGHTS

California Code of Regulations Title 22

Section 72527. Skilled Nursing Facilities

- (a) Patients have the rights enumerated in this section and the facility shall ensure that these rights are not violated. The facility shall establish and implement written policies and procedures which include these rights and shall make a copy of these policies available to the patient and to any representative of the patient. The policies shall be accessible to the public upon request. Patients shall have the right:
 - (1) To be fully informed, as evidenced by the patient's written acknowledgement prior to or at the time of admission and during stay, of these rights and of all rules and regulations governing patient conduct.
 - (2) To be fully informed, prior to or at the time of admission and during stay, of services available in the facility and of related charges, including any charges for services not covered by the facility's basic per diem rate or not covered under Titles XVIII or XIX of the Social Security Act.
 - (3) To be fully informed by a physician of his or her total health status and to be afforded the opportunity to participate on an immediate and ongoing basis in the total plan of care including the identification of medical, nursing and psychosocial needs and the planning of related services.
 - (4) To consent to or to refuse any treatment or procedure or participation in experimental research.
 - (5) To receive all information that is material to an individual patient's decision concerning whether to accept or refuse any proposed treatment or procedure. The disclosure of material information for administration of psychotherapeutic drugs or physical restraints or the prolonged use of a device that may lead to the inability to regain

- use of a normal bodily function shall include the disclosure of information listed in Section 72528(b).
- (6) To be transferred or discharged only for medical reasons, or the patient's welfare or that of other patients or for nonpayment for his or her stay and to be given reasonable advance notice to ensure orderly transfer or discharge. Such actions shall be documented in the patient's health record.
- (7) To be encouraged and assisted throughout the period of stay to exercise rights as a patient and as a citizen, and to this end to voice grievances and recommend changes in policies and services to facility staff and/or outside representatives of the patient's choice, free from restraint, interference, coercion, discrimination or reprisal.
- (8) To be free from discrimination based on sex, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sexual orientation, disability, medical condition, marital status, or registered domestic partner status.
- (9) To manage personal financial affairs, or to be given at least a quarterly accounting of financial transactions made on the patient's behalf should the facility accept written delegation of this responsibility subject to the provisions of Section 72529.
- (10) To be free from mental and physical abuse.
- (11) To be assured confidential treatment of financial and health records and to approve or refuse their release, except as authorized by law.
- (12) To be treated with consideration, respect and full recognition of dignity and individuality, including privacy in treatment and in care of personal needs.
- (13) Not to be required to perform services for the facility that are not included for therapeutic purposes in the patient's plan of care.
- (14) To associate and communicate privately with persons of the patient's choice, and to send and receive personal mail unopened.

- (15) To meet with others and participate in activities of social, religious and community groups.
- (16) To retain and use personal clothing and possessions as space permits, unless to do so would infringe upon the health, safety or rights of the patient or other patients.
- (17) If married or registered as a domestic partner, to be assured privacy for visits by the patient's spouse or registered domestic partner and if both are patients in the facility, to be permitted to share a room.
- (18) To have daily visiting hours established.
- (19) To have visits from members of the clergy at any time at the request of the patient or the patient's representative.
- (20) To have visits from persons of the patient's choosing at any time if the patient is critically ill, unless medically contraindicated.
- (21) To be allowed privacy for visits with family, friends, clergy, social workers or for professional or business purposes.
- (22) To have reasonable access to telephones and to make and receive confidential calls.
- (23) To be free from any requirement to purchase drugs or rent or purchase medical supplies or equipment from any particular source in accordance with the provisions of Section 1320 of the Health and Safety Code.
- (24) To be free from psychotherapeutic drugs and physical restraints used for the purpose of patient discipline or staff convenience and to be free from psychotherapeutic drugs used as a chemical restraint as defined in Section 72018, except in an emergency which threatens to bring immediate injury to the patient or others. If a chemical restraint is administered during an emergency, such medication shall be only that which is required to treat the emergency condition and shall be provided in ways that are least restrictive of the personal liberty of the patient and used only for a specified and limited period of time.

- (25) Other rights as specified in Health and Safety Code, Section 1599.1.
- (26) Other rights as specified in Welfare and Institutions Code, Sections 5325 and 5325.1, for persons admitted for psychiatric evaluations or treatment.
- (27) Other rights as specified in Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 4502, 4503 and 4505 for patients who are developmentally disabled as defined in Section 4512 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.
- (b) A patient's rights, as set forth above, may only be denied or limited if such denial or limitation is otherwise authorized by law. Reasons for denial or limitation of such rights shall be documented in the patient's health record.
- (c) If a patient lacks the ability to understand these rights and the nature and consequences of proposed treatment, the patient's representative shall have the rights specified in this section to the extent the right may devolve to another, unless the representative's authority is otherwise limited. The patient's incapacity shall be determined by a court in accordance with state law or by the patient's physician unless the physician's determination is disputed by the patient or patient's representative.
- (d) Persons who may act as the patient's representative include a conservator, as authorized by Parts 3 and 4 of Division 4 of the Probate Code (commencing with Section 1800), a person designated as attorney in fact in the patient's valid Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care, patient's next of kin, other appropriate surrogate decisionmaker designated consistent with statutory and case law, a person appointed by a court authorizing treatment pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 3200) of Division 4 of the Probate Code, or, if the patient is a minor, a person lawfully authorized to represent the minor.
- (e) Patients' rights policies and procedures established under this section concerning consent, informed consent and refusal of treatments or procedures shall include, but not be limited to the following:

- (1) How the facility will verify that informed consent was obtained or a treatment or procedure was refused pertaining to the administration of psychotherapeutic drugs or physical restraints or the prolonged use of a device that may lead to the inability of the patient to regain the use of a normal bodily function.
- (2) How the facility, in consultation with the patient's physician, will identify consistent with current statutory case law, who may serve as a patient's representative when an incapacitated patient has no conservator or attorney in fact under a valid Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care.

Section 73523. Intermediate Care Facilities

- (a) Patients have the rights enumerated in this section and the facility shall ensure that these rights are not violated. The facility shall establish and implement written policies and procedures which include these rights and shall make a copy of these policies available to the patient and to any representative of the patient. The policies shall be accessible to the public upon request. Patients shall have the right:
 - (1) To be fully informed, as evidenced by the patient's written acknowledgment prior to or at the time of admission and during stay, of these rights and of all rules and regulations governing patient conduct.
 - (2) To be fully informed, prior to or at the time of admission and during stay, of services available in the facility and of related charges, including any charges for services not covered by the facilities' basic per diem rate or not covered under Title XVIII or XIX of the Social Security Act.
 - (3) To be fully informed by a physician of his or her total health status and to be afforded the opportunity to participate on an immediate and ongoing basis in the total plan of care including the identification of medical, nursing, and psychosocial needs and the planning of related services.

- (4) To consent to or to refuse any treatment or procedure or participation in experimental research.
- (5) To receive all information that is material to an individual patient's decision concerning whether to accept or refuse any proposed treatment or procedure. The disclosure of material information for administration of psychotherapeutic drugs or physical restraints, or the prolonged use of a device that may lead to the inability to regain use of a normal bodily function shall include the disclosure of information listed in Section 73524(c).
- (6) To be transferred or discharged only for medical reasons, or the patient's welfare or that of other patients or for nonpayment for his or her stay and to be given reasonable advance notice to ensure orderly transfer or discharge. Such actions shall be documented in the patient's health record.
- (7) To be encouraged and assisted throughout the period of stay to exercise rights as a patient and as a citizen, and to this end to voice grievances and recommend changes in policies and services to facility staff and/or outside representatives of the patient's choice, free from restraint, interference, coercion, discrimination or reprisal.
- (8) To manage personal financial affairs, or to be given at least a quarterly accounting of financial transactions made on the patient's behalf should the facility accept his or her written delegation of this responsibility subject to the provisions of Section 73557.
- (9) To be free from mental and physical abuse.
- (10) To be assured confidential treatment of financial and health records and to approve or refuse their release, except as authorized by law.
- (11) To be treated with consideration, respect and full recognition of dignity and individuality, including privacy in treatment and in care for personal needs.
- (12) To be free from discrimination based on sex, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sexual orientation, disability, medical condition, marital status, or registered domestic partner status.

- (13) Not to be required to perform services for the facility that are not included for therapeutic purposes in the patient's plan of care.
- (14) To associate and communicate privately with persons of the patient's choice, and to send and receive his or her personal mail unopened.
- (15) To meet with and participate in activities of social, religious and community groups at the patient's discretion.
- (16) To retain and use his or her personal clothing and possessions as space permits, unless to do so would infringe upon the health, safety or rights of the patient or other patients.
- (17) If married or registered as a domestic partner, to be assured privacy for visits by the patient's spouse or registered domestic partner and if both are patients in the facility, to be permitted to share a room.
- (18) To have daily visiting hours established.
- (19) To have visits from members of the clergy at the request of the patient or the patient's representative.
- (20) To have visits from persons of the patient's choosing at any time if the patient is critically ill, unless medically contraindicated.
- (21) To be allowed privacy for visits with family, friends, clergy, social workers or for professional or business purposes.
- (22) To have reasonable access to telephones both to make and receive confidential calls.
- (23) To be free from any requirement to purchase drugs or rent or purchase medical supplies or equipment from any particular source in accordance with the provisions of Section 1320 of the Health and Safety Code.
- (24) To be free from psychotherapeutic and/or physical restraints used for the purpose of patient discipline or staff convenience and to be

free from psychotherapeutic drugs used as a chemical restraint as defined in Section 73012, except in an emergency which threatens to bring immediate injury to the patient or others. If a chemical restraint is administered during an emergency, such medication shall be only that which is required to treat the emergency condition and shall be provided in ways that are least restrictive of the personal liberty of the patient and used only for a specified and limited period of time.

- (25) Other rights as specified in Health and Safety Code Section 1599.1.
- (26) Other rights as specified in Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 5325 and 5325.1 for persons admitted for psychiatric evaluations or treatment.
- (27) Other rights as specified in Welfare and Institutions Code, Sections 4502, 4503 and 4505 for patients who are developmentally disabled as defined in Section 4512 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.
- (b) A patient's rights as set forth above may only be denied or limited if such denial or limitation is otherwise authorized by law. Reasons for denial or limitation of such rights shall be documented in the patient's health record.
- (c) If a patient lacks the ability to understand these rights and the nature and consequences of proposed treatment, the patient's representative shall have the rights specified in this section to the extent the right may devolve to another, unless the representative's authority is otherwise limited. The patient's incapacity shall be determined by a court in accordance with state law or by the patient's licensed healthcare practitioner acting within the scope of his or her professional licensure unless the determination of the licensed healthcare practitioner acting within the scope of his or her professional licensure is disputed by the patient or patient's representative.
- (d) Persons who may act as the patient's representative include a conservator, as authorized by Parts 3 and 4 of Division 4 of the Probate Code (commencing with Section 1800), a person designated as attorney in fact in the patient's valid Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care, patient's next of kin, other appropriate surrogate decisionmaker, designated consistent with statutory and case law, a person appointed by a court

authorizing treatment pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 3200) of Division 4 of the Probate Code, or, if the patient is a minor, informed consent must be obtained from a person lawfully authorized to represent the minor.

- (e) Patients' rights policies and procedures established under this section concerning consent, informed consent and refusal of treatments or procedures shall include, but not be limited to the following:
 - (1) How the facility will verify that informed consent was obtained pertaining to the administration of psychotherapeutic drugs or physical restraints or the prolonged use of a device that may lead to the inability of the patient to regain the use of a normal bodily function.
 - (2) How the facility, in consultation with the patient's licensed healthcare practitioner acting within the scope of his or her professional licensure, will identify, consistent with current statutory and case law, who may serve as a patient's representative when an incapacitated patient has no conservator or attorney in fact under a valid Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care.

California Health & Safety Code Section 1599

1599.1. Written policies; rights of patients and facility obligations

Written policies regarding the rights of patients shall be established and shall be made available to the patient, to any guardian, next of kin, sponsoring agency or representative payee, and to the public. Those policies and procedures shall ensure that each patient admitted to the facility has the following rights and is notified of the following facility obligations, in addition to those specified by regulation:

(a) The facility shall employ an adequate number of qualified personnel to carry out all of the functions of the facility.

- (b) Each patient shall show evidence of good personal hygiene, be given care to prevent bedsores, and measures shall be used to prevent and reduce incontinence for each patient.
- (c) The facility shall provide food of the quality and quantity to meet the patients' needs in accordance with physicians' orders.
- (d) The facility shall provide an activity program staffed and equipped to meet the needs and interests of each patient and to encourage self-care and resumption of normal activities. Patients shall be encouraged to participate in activities suited to their individual needs.
- (e) The facility shall be clean, sanitary, and in good repair at all times.
- (f) A nurses' call system shall be maintained in operating order in all nursing units and provide visible and audible signal communication between nursing personnel and patients. Extension cords to each patient's bed shall be readily accessible to patients at all times.
- (g)(1) If a facility has a significant beneficial interest in an ancillary health service provider or if a facility knows that an ancillary health service provider has a significant beneficial interest in the facility, as provided by subdivision (a) of Section 1323 (see below), or if the facility has a significant beneficial interest in another facility, as provided by subdivision (c) of Section 1323 (see below), the facility shall disclose that interest in writing to the patient, or his or her representative, and advise the patient, or his or her representative, that the patient may choose to have another ancillary health service provider, or facility, as the case may be, provide any supplies or services ordered by a member of the medical staff of the facility.
 - (2) A facility is not required to make any disclosures required by this subdivision to any patient, or his or her representative, if the patient is enrolled in an organization or entity which provides or arranges for the provision of health care services in exchange for a prepaid capitation payment or premium.
- (h)(1) If a resident of a long-term health care facility has been hospitalized in an acute care hospital and asserts his or her rights to readmission pursuant to bed hold provisions or readmission rights of either state or

federal law and the facility refuses to readmit him or her, the resident may appeal the facility's refusal.

- (2) The refusal of the facility as described in this subdivision shall be treated as if it were an involuntary transfer under federal law and the rights and procedures that apply to appeals of transfers and discharges of nursing facility residents shall apply to the resident's appeal under this subdivision.
- (3) If the resident appeals pursuant to this subdivision, and the resident is eligible under the Medi-Cal program, the resident shall remain in the hospital and the hospital may be reimbursed at the administrative day rate, pending the final determination of the hearing officer, unless the resident agrees to placement in another facility.
- (4) If the resident appeals pursuant to this subdivision, and the resident is not eligible under the Medi-Cal program, the resident shall remain in the hospital if other payment is available, pending the final determination of the hearing officer, unless the resident agrees to placement in another facility.
- (5) If the resident is not eligible for participation in the Medi-Cal program and has no other source of payment, the hearing and final determination shall be made within 48 hours.
- (i) Effective July 1, 2007, Sections 483.10, 483.12, 483.13, and 483.15 of Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations in effect on July 1, 2006, shall apply to each skilled nursing facility and intermediate care facility, regardless of a resident's payment source or the Medi-Cal or Medicare certification status of the skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility in which the resident resides, except that a noncertified facility is not obligated to provide notice of Medicaid or Medicare benefits, covered services, or eligibility procedures.

1599.2. Preamble or preliminary statement; form

Written information informing patients of their rights shall include a preamble or preliminary statement in substantial form as follows:

- (a) Further facility requirements are set forth in the Health and Safety Code, and in Title 22 of the California Administrative Code [California Code of Regulations].
- (b) Willful or repeated violations of either code may subject a facility and its personnel to civil or criminal proceedings.
- (c) Patients have the right to voice grievances to facility personnel free from reprisal and can submit complaints to the State [Department of Public Health] or its representative.

1599.3. Representative of patient; devolution of rights

Any rights under this chapter of a patient judicially determined to be incompetent, or who is found by his physician to be medically incapable of understanding such information, or who exhibits a communication barrier, shall devolve to such patient's guardian, conservator, next of kin, sponsoring agency, or representative payer, except when the facility itself is the representative payer.

1599.4. Construction and application of chapter

In no event shall this chapter be construed or applied in a manner which imposes new or additional obligations or standards on skilled nursing or intermediate care facilities or their personnel, other than in regard to the notification and explanation of patient's rights or unreasonable costs.

California Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 4502-4505, 4512

4502. Persons with developmental disabilities have the same legal rights and responsibilities guaranteed all other individuals by the United States Constitution and laws and the Constitution and laws of the State of California. No otherwise qualified person by reason of having a developmental disability shall be excluded from participation in, be denied

the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity, which receives public funds.

It is the intent of the Legislature that persons with developmental disabilities shall have rights including, but not limited to, the following:

- (a) A right to treatment and habilitation services and supports in the least restrictive environment. Treatment and habilitation services and supports should foster the developmental potential of the person and be directed toward the achievement of the most independent, productive, and normal lives possible. Such services shall protect the personal liberty of the individual and shall be provided with the least restrictive conditions necessary to achieve the purposes of the treatment, services, or supports.
- (b) A right to dignity, privacy, and humane care. To the maximum extent possible, treatment, services, and supports shall be provided in natural community settings.
- (c) A right to participate in an appropriate program of publicly supported education, regardless of degree of disability.
- (d) A right to prompt medical care and treatment.
- (e) A right to religious freedom and practice.
- (f) A right to social interaction and participation in community activities.
- (g) A right to physical exercise and recreational opportunities.
- (h) A right to be free from harm, including unnecessary physical restraint, or isolation, excessive medication, abuse, or neglect.
- (i) A right to be free from hazardous procedures.
- (j) A right to make choices in their own lives, including, but not limited to, where and with whom they live, their relationships with people in their community, the way they spend their time, including education, employment, and leisure, the pursuit of their personal future, and program planning and implementation.

- 4502.1. The right of individuals with developmental disabilities to make choices in their own lives requires that all public or private agencies receiving state funds for the purpose of serving persons with developmental disabilities, including, but not limited to, regional centers, shall respect the choices made by consumers or, where appropriate, their parents, legal guardian, or conservator. Those public or private agencies shall provide consumers with opportunities to exercise decision—making skills in any aspect of day-to-day living and shall provide consumers with relevant information in an understandable form to aid the consumer in making his or her choice.
- 4503. Each person with developmental disabilities who has been admitted or committed to a state hospital, community care facility as defined in Section 1502 of the Health and Safety Code, or a health facility as defined in Section 1250 of the Health and Safety Code shall have the following rights, a list of which shall be prominently posted in English, Spanish, and other appropriate languages, in all facilities providing those services and otherwise brought to his or her attention by any additional means as the Director of Developmental Services may designate by regulation:
- (a) To wear his or her own clothes, to keep and use his or her own personal possessions including his or her toilet articles, and to keep and be allowed to spend a reasonable sum of his or her own money for canteen expenses and small purchases.
- (b) To have access to individual storage space for his or her private use.
- (c) To see visitors each day.
- (d) To have reasonable access to telephones, both to make and receive confidential calls.
- (e) To have ready access to letter writing materials, including stamps, and to mail and receive unopened correspondence.
- (f) To refuse electroconvulsive therapy.
- (g) To refuse behavior modification techniques which cause pain or trauma.

- (h) To refuse psychosurgery notwithstanding the provisions of Sections 5325, 5326, and 5326.3. Psychosurgery means those operations currently referred to as lobotomy, psychiatric surgery, and behavioral surgery and all other forms of brain surgery if the surgery is performed for any of the following purposes:
 - (1) Modification or control of thoughts, feelings, actions, or behavior rather than the treatment of a known and diagnosed physical disease of the brain.
 - (2) Modification of normal brain function or normal brain tissue in order to control thoughts, feelings, action, or behavior.
 - (3) Treatment of abnormal brain function or abnormal brain tissue in order to modify thoughts, feelings, actions, or behavior when the abnormality is not an established cause for those thoughts, feelings, actions, or behavior.
- (i) To make choices in areas including, but not limited to, his or her daily living routines, choice of companions, leisure and social activities, and program planning and implementation.
- (j) Other rights, as specified by regulation.

4505. For the purposes of subdivisions (f) and (g) of Section 4503, if the patient is a minor age 15 years or over, the right to refuse may be exercised either by the minor or his parent, guardian, conservator, or other person entitled to his custody.

If the patient or his parent, guardian, conservator, or other person responsible for his custody do not refuse the forms of treatment or behavior modification described in subdivisions (f) and (g) of Section 4503, such treatment and behavior modification may be provided only after review and approval by a peer review committee. The Director of Developmental Services shall, by March 1, 1977, adopt regulations establishing peer review procedures for this purpose.

California Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 5325-5326

5325. Each person involuntarily detained for evaluation or treatment under provisions of this part, each person admitted as a voluntary patient for psychiatric evaluation or treatment to any health facility, as defined in Section 1250 of the Health and Safety Code, in which psychiatric evaluation or treatment is offered, and each mentally retarded person committed to a state hospital pursuant to Article 5 (commencing with Section 6500) of Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 6 shall have the following rights, a list of which shall be prominently posted in the predominant languages of the community and explained in a language or modality accessible to the patient in all facilities providing such services and otherwise brought to his or her attention by such additional means as the Director of Mental Health may designate by regulation:

- (a) To wear his or her own clothes; to keep and use his or her own personal possessions including his or her toilet articles; and to keep and be allowed to spend a reasonable sum of his or her own money for canteen expenses and small purchases.
- (b) To have access to individual storage space for his or her private use.
- (c) To see visitors each day.
- (d) To have reasonable access to telephones, both to make and receive confidential calls or to have such calls made for them.
- (e) To have ready access to letter writing materials, including stamps, and to mail and receive unopened correspondence.
- (f) To refuse convulsive treatment including, but not limited to, any electroconvulsive treatment, any treatment of the mental condition which depends on the induction of a convulsion by any means, and insulin coma treatment.
- (g) To refuse psychosurgery. Psychosurgery is defined as those operations currently referred to as lobotomy, psychiatric surgery, and behavioral surgery and all other forms of brain surgery if the surgery is performed for the purpose of any of the following:

- (1) Modification or control of thoughts, feelings, actions, or behavior rather than the treatment of a known and diagnosed physical disease of the brain.
- (2) Modification of normal brain function or normal brain tissue in order to control thoughts, feelings, actions, or behavior.
- (3) Treatment of abnormal brain function or abnormal brain tissue in order to modify thoughts, feelings, actions or behavior when the abnormality is not an established cause for those thoughts, feelings, actions, or behavior. Psychosurgery does not include prefrontal sonic treatment wherein there is no destruction of brain tissue. The Director of Mental Health shall promulgate appropriate regulations to assure adequate protection of patients' rights in such treatment.
- (h) To see and receive the services of a patient advocate who has no direct or indirect clinical or administrative responsibility for the person receiving mental health services.
- (i) Other rights, as specified by regulation.

Each patient shall also be given notification in a language or modality accessible to the patient of other constitutional and statutory rights which are found by the State Department of Mental Health to be frequently misunderstood, ignored, or denied.

Upon admission to a facility each patient shall immediately be given a copy of a State Department of Mental Health prepared patients' rights handbook. The State Department of Mental Health shall prepare and provide the forms specified in this section and in Section 5157.

The rights specified in this section may not be waived by the person's parent, guardian, or conservator.

5325.1. Persons with mental illness have the same legal rights and responsibilities guaranteed all other persons by the Federal Constitution and laws and the Constitution and laws of the State of California, unless specifically limited by federal or state law or regulations. No otherwise qualified person by reason of having been involuntarily detained for evaluation or treatment under provisions of this part or having been admitted as a voluntary patient to any health facility, as defined in Section 1250 of the Health and Safety Code, in which psychiatric evaluation or treatment is offered shall be excluded from participation in, be denied the

benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity, which receives public funds.

It is the intent of the legislature that persons with mental illness shall have rights including, but not limited to, the following:

- (a) A right to treatment services which promote the potential of the person to function independently. Treatment should be provided in ways that are least restrictive of the personal liberty of the individual.
- (b) A right to dignity, privacy, and humane care.
- (c) A right to be free from harm, including unnecessary or excessive physical restraint, isolation, medication, abuse, or neglect. Medication shall not be used as punishment, for the convenience of staff, as a substitute for program, or in quantities that interfere with the treatment program.
- (d) A right to prompt medical care and treatment.
- (e) A right to religious freedom and practice.
- (f) A right to participate in appropriate programs of publicly supported education.
- (g) A right to social interaction and participation in community activities.
- (h) A right to physical exercise and recreational opportunities.
- (i) A right to be free from hazardous procedures.
- 5325.2. Any person who is subject to detention pursuant to Section 5150, 5250, 5260, or 5270.15 shall have the right to refuse treatment with antipsychotic medication subject to provisions set forth in this chapter.
- 5326. The professional person in charge of the facility or his or her designee may, for good cause, deny a person any of the rights under Section 5325, except under subdivisions (g) and (h) and the rights under subdivision (f) may be denied only under the conditions specified in Section 5326.7. To ensure that these rights are denied only for good cause, the

Director of Mental Health shall adopt regulations specifying the conditions under which they may be denied.

Denial of a person's rights shall in all cases be entered into the person's treatment record.

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Chapter IV--Centers For Medicare & Medicaid Services, Department Of Health And Human Services

Part 483--Requirements For States And Long Term Care Facilities Subpart B--Requirements for Long Term Care Facilities

Sec. 483.10 Resident rights.

The resident has a right to a dignified existence, self-determination, and communication with and access to persons and services inside and outside the facility. A facility must protect and promote the rights of each resident, including each of the following rights:

- (a) Exercise of rights.
 - (1) The resident has the right to exercise his or her rights as a resident of the facility and as a citizen or resident of the United States.
 - (2) The resident has the right to be free of interference, coercion, discrimination, and reprisal from the facility in exercising his or her rights.
 - (3) In the case of a resident adjudged incompetent under the laws of a State by a court of competent jurisdiction, the rights of the resident are exercised by the person appointed under State law to act on the resident's behalf.
 - (4) In the case of a resident who has not been adjudged incompetent by the State court, any legal -surrogate designated in accordance with State law may exercise the resident's rights to the extent provided by State law.

- (b) Notice of rights and services.
 - (1) The facility must inform the resident both orally and in writing in a language that the resident understands of his or her rights and all rules and regulations governing resident conduct and responsibilities during the stay in the facility. The facility must also provide the resident with the notice (if any) of the State developed under section 1919(e)(6) of the Act. Such notification must be made prior to or upon admission and during the resident's stay. Receipt of such information, and any amendments to it, must be acknowledged in writing;
 - (2) The resident or his or her legal representative has the right--
 - (i) Upon an oral or written request, to access all records pertaining to himself or herself including current clinical records within 24 hours (excluding weekends and holidays); and
 - (ii) After receipt of his or her records for inspection, to purchase at a cost not to exceed the community standard photocopies of the records or any portions of them upon request and 2 working days advance notice to the facility.
 - (3) The resident has the right to be fully informed in language that he or she can understand of his or her total health status, including but not limited to, his or her medical condition:
 - (4) The resident has the right to refuse treatment, to refuse to participate in experimental research, and to formulate an advance directive as specified in paragraph (8) of this section; and
 - (5) The facility must--
 - (i) Inform each resident who is entitled to Medicaid benefits, in writing, at the time of admission to the nursing facility or, when the resident becomes eligible for Medicaid of--
 - (A) The items and services that are included in nursing facility services under the State plan and for which the resident may not be charged;

- (B) Those other items and services that the facility offers and for which the resident may be charged, and the amount of charges for those services; and
- (ii) Inform each resident when changes are made to the items and services specified in paragraphs (5)(i)(A) and (B) of this section.
- (6) The facility must inform each resident before, or at the time of admission, and periodically during the resident's stay, of services available in the facility and of charges for those services, including any charges for services not covered under Medicare or by the facility's per diem rate.
- (7) The facility must furnish a written description of legal rights which includes--
 - (i) A description of the manner of protecting personal funds, under paragraph (c) of this section;
 - (ii) A description of the requirements and procedures for establishing eligibility for Medicaid, including the right to request an assessment under section 1924(c) which determines the extent of a couple's non-exempt resources at the time of institutionalization and attributes to the community spouse an equitable share of resources which cannot be considered available for payment toward the cost of the institutionalized spouse's medical care in his or her process of spending down to Medicaid eligibility levels;
 - (iii) A posting of names, addresses, and telephone numbers of all pertinent State client advocacy groups such as the State survey and certification agency, the State licensure office, the State ombudsman program, the protection and advocacy network, and the Medicaid fraud control unit; and
 - (iv) A statement that the resident may file a complaint with the State survey and certification agency concerning resident abuse, neglect, misappropriation of resident property in the facility, and non-compliance with the advance directives requirements.

- (8) The facility must comply with the requirements specified in subpart I of part 489 of this chapter relating to maintaining written policies and procedures regarding advance directives. These requirements include provisions to inform and provide written information to all adult residents concerning the right to accept or refuse medical or surgical treatment and, at the individual's option, formulate an advance directive. This includes a written description of the facility's policies to implement advance directives and applicable State law. Facilities are permitted to contract with other entities to furnish this information but are still legally responsible for ensuring that the requirements of this section are met. If an adult individual is incapacitated at the time of admission and is unable to receive information (due to the incapacitating condition or a mental disorder) or articulate whether or not he or she has executed an advance directive, the facility may give advance directive information to the individual's family or surrogate in the same manner that it issues other materials about policies and procedures to the family of the incapacitated individual or to a surrogate or other concerned persons in accordance with State law. The facility is not relieved of its obligation to provide this information to the individual once he or she is no longer incapacitated or unable to receive such information. Follow-up procedures must be in place to provide the information to the individual directly at the appropriate time.
- (9) The facility must inform each resident of the name, specialty, and way of contacting the physician responsible for his or her care.
- (10) The facility must prominently display in the facility written information, and provide to residents and applicants for admission oral and written information about how to apply for and use Medicare and Medicaid benefits, and how to receive refunds for previous payments covered by such benefits.
- (11) Notification of changes.
 - (i) A facility must immediately inform the resident; consult with the resident's physician; and if known, notify the resident's legal representative or an interested family member when there is--
 - (A) An accident involving the resident which results in injury and has the potential for requiring physician intervention;

- (B) A significant change in the resident's physical, mental, or psychosocial status (i.e., a deterioration in health, mental, or psychosocial status in either life-threatening conditions or clinical complications);
- (C) A need to alter treatment significantly (i.e., a need to discontinue an existing form of treatment due to adverse consequences, or to commence a new form of treatment); or
- (D) A decision to transfer or discharge the resident from the facility as specified in Sec. 483.12(a).
- (ii) The facility must also promptly notify the resident and, if known, the resident's legal representative or interested family member when there is--
 - (A) A change in room or roommate assignment as specified in Sec. 483.15(e)(2); or
 - (B) A change in resident rights under Federal or State law or regulations as specified in paragraph (b)(1) of this section.
- (iii) The facility must record and periodically update the address and phone number of the resident's legal representative or interested family member.
- (12) Admission to a composite distinct part. A facility that is a composite distinct part (as defined in Sec. 483.5(c) of this subpart) must disclose in its admission agreement its physical configuration, including the various locations that comprise the composite distinct part, and must specify the policies that apply to room changes between its different locations under Sec. 483.12(a)(8).
- (c) Protection of resident funds.
 - (1) The resident has the right to manage his or her financial affairs, and the facility may not require residents to deposit their personal funds with the facility.

- (2) Management of personal funds. Upon written authorization of a resident, the facility must hold, safeguard, manage, and account for the personal funds of the resident deposited with the facility, as specified in paragraphs (c)(3)-(8) of this section.
- (3) Deposit of funds.
 - (i) Funds in excess of \$50. The facility must deposit any residents' personal funds in excess of \$50 in an interest bearing account (or accounts) that is separate from any of the facility's operating accounts, and that credits all interest earned on resident's funds to that account. (In pooled accounts, there must be a separate accounting for each resident's share.)
 - (ii) Funds less than \$50. The facility must maintain a resident's personal funds that do not exceed \$50 in a non-interest bearing account, interest-bearing account, or petty cash fund.
- (4) Accounting and records. The facility must establish and maintain a system that assures a full and complete and separate accounting, according to generally accepted accounting principles, of each resident's personal funds entrusted to the facility on the resident's behalf.
 - (i) The system must preclude any commingling of resident funds with facility funds or with the funds of any person other than another resident.
 - (ii)The individual financial record must be available through quarterly statements and on request to the resident or his or her legal representative.
- (5) Notice of certain balances. The facility must notify each resident that receives Medicaid benefits—
 - (i) When the amount in the resident's account reaches \$200 less than the SSI resource limit for one person, specified in section 1611(a)(3)(B) of the Act; and

- (ii) That, if the amount in the account, in addition to the value of the resident's other nonexempt resources, reaches the SSI resource limit for one person, the resident may lose eligibility for Medicaid or SSI.
- (6) Conveyance upon death. Upon the death of a resident with a personal fund deposited with the facility, the facility must convey within 30 days the resident's funds, and a final accounting of those funds, to the individual or probate jurisdiction administering the resident's estate.
- (7) Assurance of financial security. The facility must purchase a surety bond, or otherwise provide assurance satisfactory to the Secretary, to assure the security of all personal funds of residents deposited with the facility.
- (8) Limitation on charges to personal funds. The facility may not impose a charge against the personal funds of a resident for any item or service for which payment is made under Medicaid or Medicare (except for applicable deductible and coinsurance amounts). The facility may charge the resident for requested services that are more expensive than or in excess of covered services in accordance with Sec. 489.32 of this chapter. (This does not affect the prohibition on facility charges for items and services for which Medicaid has paid. See Sec. 447.15, which limits participation in the Medicaid program to providers who accept, as payment in full, Medicaid payment plus any deductible, coinsurance, or copayment required by the plan to be paid by the individual.)
 - (i) Services included in Medicare or Medicaid payment. During the course of a covered Medicare or Medicaid stay, facilities may not charge a resident for the following categories of items and services:
 - (A) Nursing services as required at Sec. 483.30 of this subpart.
 - (B) Dietary services as required at Sec. 483.35 of this subpart.
 - (C) An activities program as required at Sec. 483.15(f) of this subpart.
 - (D) Room/bed maintenance services.

- (E) Routine personal hygiene items and services as required to meet the needs of residents, including, but not limited to, hair hygiene supplies, comb, brush, bath soap, disinfecting soaps or specialized cleansing agents when indicated to treat special skin problems or to fight infection, razor, shaving cream, toothbrush, toothpaste, denture adhesive, denture cleaner, dental floss, moisturizing lotion, tissues, cotton balls, cotton swabs, deodorant, incontinence care and supplies, sanitary napkins and related supplies, towels, washcloths, hospital gowns, over the counter drugs, hair and nail hygiene services, bathing, and basic personal laundry.
- (F) Medically-related social services as required at Sec. 483.15(g) of this subpart.
- (ii) Items and services that may be charged to residents' funds. Listed below are general categories and examples of items and services that the facility may charge to residents' funds if they are requested by a resident, if the facility informs the resident that there will be a charge, and if payment is not made by Medicare or Medicaid:
 - (A)Telephone.
 - (B) Television/radio for personal use.
 - (C) Personal comfort items, including smoking materials, notions and novelties, and confections.
 - (D) Cosmetic and grooming items and services in excess of those for which payment is made under Medicaid or Medicare.
 - (E) Personal clothing.
 - (F) Personal reading matter.
 - (G) Gifts purchased on behalf of a resident.
 - (H) Flowers and plants.

- (I) Social events and entertainment offered outside the scope of the activities program, provided under Sec. 483.15(f) of this subpart.
- (J) Noncovered special care services such as privately hired nurses or aides.
- (K) Private room, except when therapeutically required (for example, isolation for infection control).
- (L) Specially prepared or alternative food requested instead of the food generally prepared by the facility, as required by Sec. 483.35 of this subpart.
- (iii) Requests for items and services.
 - (A) The facility must not charge a resident (or his or her representative) for any item or service not requested by the resident.
 - (B) The facility must not require a resident (or his or her representative) to request any item or service as a condition of admission or continued stay.
 - (C) The facility must inform the resident (or his or her representative) requesting an item or service for which a charge will be made that there will be a charge for the item or service and what the charge will be.
- (d) Free choice. The resident has the right to—
 - (1) Choose a personal attending physician;
 - (2) Be fully informed in advance about care and treatment and of any changes in that care or treatment that may affect the resident's well-being; and

- (3) Unless adjudged incompetent or otherwise found to be incapacitated under the laws of the State, participate in planning care and treatment or changes in care and treatment.
- (e) Privacy and confidentiality. The resident has the right to personal privacy and confidentiality of his or her personal and clinical records.
 - (1) Personal privacy includes accommodations, medical treatment, written and telephone communications, personal care, visits, and meetings of family and resident groups, but this does not require the facility to provide a private room for each resident;
 - (2) Except as provided in paragraph (e)(3) of this section, the resident may approve or refuse the release of personal and clinical records to any individual outside the facility;
 - (3) The resident's right to refuse release of personal and clinical records does not apply when--
 - (i) The resident is transferred to another health care institution; or
 - (ii) Record release is required by law.
- (f) Grievances. A resident has the right to--
 - (1) Voice grievances without discrimination or reprisal. Such grievances include those with respect to treatment which has been furnished as well as that which has not been furnished; and
 - (2) Prompt efforts by the facility to resolve grievances the resident may have, including those with respect to the behavior of other residents.
- (g) Examination of survey results. A resident has the right to--
 - (1) Examine the results of the most recent survey of the facility conducted by Federal or State surveyors and any plan of correction in effect with respect to the facility. The facility must make the results available for examination in a place readily accessible to residents, and must post a notice of their availability; and

- (2) Receive information from agencies acting as client advocates, and be afforded the opportunity to contact these agencies.
- (h) Work. The resident has the right to--
 - (1) Refuse to perform services for the facility;
 - (2) Perform services for the facility, if he or she chooses, when--
 - (i) The facility has documented the need or desire for work in the plan of care;
 - (ii) The plan specifies the nature of the services performed and whether the services are voluntary or paid;
 - (iii) Compensation for paid services is at or above prevailing rates; and
 - (iv) The resident agrees to the work arrangement described in the plan of care.
- (i) Mail. The resident has the right to privacy in written communications, including the right to--
 - (1) Send and promptly receive mail that is unopened; and
 - (2) Have access to stationery, postage, and writing implements at the resident's own expense.
- (j) Access and visitation rights. (1) The resident has the right and the facility must provide immediate access to any resident by the following:
 - (i) Any representative of the Secretary;
 - (ii) Any representative of the State:
 - (iii) The resident's individual physician;
 - (iv) The State long term care ombudsman (established under section 307(a)(12) of the Older Americans Act of 1965);

- (v) The agency responsible for the protection and advocacy system for developmentally disabled individuals (established under part C of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act);
- (vi) The agency responsible for the protection and advocacy system for mentally ill individuals (established under the Protection and Advocacy for Mentally III Individuals Act);
- (vii) Subject to the resident's right to deny or withdraw consent at any time, immediate family or other relatives of the resident; and
- (viii) Subject to reasonable restrictions and the resident's right to deny or withdraw consent at any time, others who are visiting with the consent of the resident.
- (2) The facility must provide reasonable access to any resident by any entity or individual that provides health, social, legal, or other services to the resident, subject to the resident's right to deny or withdraw consent at anytime.
- (3) The facility must allow representatives of the State Ombudsman, described in paragraph (j)(1)(iv) of this section, to examine a resident's clinical records with the permission of the resident or the resident's legal representative, and consistent with State law.
- (k) Telephone. The resident has the right to have reasonable access to the use of a telephone where calls can be made without being overheard.
- (I) Personal property. The resident has the right to retain and use personal possessions, including some furnishings, and appropriate clothing, as space permits, unless to do so would infringe upon the rights or health and safety of other residents.
- (m) Married couples. The resident has the right to share a room with his or her spouse when married residents live in the same facility and both spouses consent to the arrangement.

- (n) Self-Administration of Drugs. An individual resident may self-administer drugs if the interdisciplinary team, as defined by Sec. 483.20(d)(2)(ii), has determined that this practice is safe.
- (o) Refusal of certain transfers.
 - (1) An individual has the right to refuse a transfer to another room within the institution, if the purpose of the transfer is to relocate --
 - (i) A resident of a SNF from the distinct part of the institution that is a SNF to a part of the institution that is not a SNF, or
 - (ii) A resident of a NF from the distinct part of the institution that is a NF to a distinct part of the institution that is a SNF.
 - (2) A resident's exercise of the right to refuse transfer under paragraph (o)(1) of this section does not affect the individual's eligibility or entitlement to Medicare or Medicaid benefits.

PART 483 REQUIREMENTS FOR STATES AND LONG TERM CARE FACILITIES

Subpart B -- Requirements for Long Term Care Facilities Sec. 483.12 Admission, transfer and discharge rights.

- (a) Transfer and discharge—
 - (1) Definition: Transfer and discharge includes movement of a resident to a bed outside of the certified facility whether that bed is in the same physical plant or not. Transfer and discharge does not refer to movement of a resident to a bed within the same certified facility.
 - (2) Transfer and discharge requirements. The facility must permit each resident to remain in the facility, and not transfer or discharge the resident from the facility unless--
 - (i) The transfer or discharge is necessary for the resident's welfare and the resident's needs cannot be met in the facility;

- (ii) The transfer or discharge is appropriate because the resident's health has improved sufficiently so the resident no longer needs the services provided by the facility;
- (iii) The safety of individuals in the facility is endangered;
- (iv) The health of individuals in the facility would otherwise be endangered;
- (v) The resident has failed, after reasonable and appropriate notice, to pay for (or to have paid under Medicare or Medicaid) a stay at the facility. For a resident who becomes eligible for Medicaid after admission to a facility, the facility may charge a resident only allowable charges under Medicaid; or
- (vi) The facility ceases to operate.
- (3) Documentation. When the facility transfers or discharges a resident under any of the circumstances specified in paragraphs (a)(2)(i) through (v) of this section, the resident's clinical record must be documented. The documentation must be made by--
 - (i) The resident's physician when transfer or discharge is necessary under paragraph (a)(2)(i) or paragraph (a)(2)(ii) of this section; and
 - (ii) A physician when transfer or discharge is necessary under paragraph (a)(2)(iv) of this section.
- (4) Notice before transfer. Before a facility transfers or discharges a resident, the facility must--
 - (i) Notify the resident and, if known, a family member or legal representative of the resident of the transfer or discharge and the reasons for the move in writing and in a language and manner they understand.
 - (ii) Record the reasons in the resident's clinical record; and

- (iii) Include in the notice the items described in paragraph (a)(6) of this section.
- (5) Timing of the notice. (i) Except when specified in paragraph (a)(5)(ii) of this section, the notice of transfer or discharge required under paragraph (a)(4) of this section must be made by the facility at least 30 days before the resident is transferred or discharged.
 - (ii) Notice may be made as soon as practicable before transfer or discharge when--
 - (A) The safety of individuals in the facility would be endangered under paragraph (a)(2)(iii) of this section;
 - (B) The health of individuals in the facility would be endangered, under paragraph (a)(2)(iv) of this section;
 - (C) The resident's health improves sufficiently to allow a more immediate transfer or discharge, under paragraph (a)(2)(ii) of this section;
 - (D) An immediate transfer or discharge is required by the resident's urgent medical needs, under paragraph (a)(2)(i) of this section; or
 - (E) A resident has not resided in the facility for 30 days.
- (6) Contents of the notice. The written notice specified in paragraph (a)(4) of this section must include the following:
 - (i) The reason for transfer or discharge;
 - (ii) The effective date of transfer or discharge;
 - (iii) The location to which the resident is transferred or discharged;
 - (iv) A statement that the resident has the right to appeal the action to the State;

- (v) The name, address and telephone number of the State long term care ombudsman;
- (vi) For nursing facility residents with developmental disabilities, the mailing address and telephone number of the agency responsible for the protection and advocacy of developmentally disabled individuals established under Part C of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act; and
- (vii) For nursing facility residents who are mentally ill, the mailing address and telephone number of the agency responsible for the protection and advocacy of mentally ill individuals established under the Protection and Advocacy for Mentally Ill Individuals Act.
- (7) Orientation for transfer or discharge. A facility must provide sufficient preparation and orientation to residents to ensure safe and orderly transfer or discharge from the facility.
- (8) Room changes in a composite distinct part. Room changes in a facility that is a composite distinct part (as defined in Sec.483.5(c)) must be limited to moves within the particular building in which the resident resides, unless the resident voluntarily agrees to move to another of the composite distinct part's locations.
- (b) Notice of bed-hold policy and readmission—
 - (1) Notice before transfer. Before a nursing facility transfers a resident to a hospital or allows a resident to go on therapeutic leave, the nursing facility must provide written information to the resident and a family member or legal representative that specifies—
 - (i) The duration of the bed-hold policy under the State plan, if any, during which the resident is permitted to return and resume residence in the nursing facility; and
 - (ii) The nursing facility's policies regarding bed-hold periods, which must be consistent with paragraph (b)(3) of this section, permitting a resident to return.

- (2) Bed-hold notice upon transfer. At the time of transfer of a resident for hospitalization or therapeutic leave, a nursing facility must provide to the resident and a family member or legal representative written notice which specifies the duration of the bed-hold policy described in paragraph (b)(1) of this section.
- (3) Permitting resident to return to facility. A nursing facility must establish and follow a written policy under which a resident, whose hospitalization or therapeutic leave exceeds the bed-hold period under the State plan, is readmitted to the facility immediately upon the first availability of a bed in a semi-private room if the resident-
 - (i) Requires the services provided by the facility; and
 - (ii) Is eligible for Medicaid nursing facility services.
- (4) Readmission to a composite distinct part. When the nursing facility to which a resident is readmitted is a composite distinct part as defined in Sec. 483.5(c) of this subpart), the resident must be permitted to return to an available bed in the particular location of the composite distinct part in which he or she resided previously. If a bed is not available in that location at the time of readmission, the resident must be given the option to return to that location upon the first availability of a bed there.
- (c) Equal access to quality care.
 - (1) A facility must establish and maintain identical policies and practices regarding transfer, discharge, and the provision of services under the State plan for all individuals regardless of source of payment;
 - (2) The facility may charge any amount for services furnished to non-Medicaid residents consistent with the notice requirement in Sec. 483.10(b)(5)(i) and (b)(6) describing the charges; and
 - (3) The State is not required to offer additional services on behalf of a resident other than services provided in the State plan.
- (d) Admissions policy.

(1) The facility must--

- (i) Not require residents or potential residents to waive their rights to Medicare or Medicaid; and
- (ii) Not require oral or written assurance that residents or potential residents are not eligible for, or will not apply for, Medicare or Medicaid benefits.
- (2) The facility must not require a third party guarantee of payment to the facility as a condition of admission or expedited admission, or continued stay in the facility. However, the facility may require an individual who has legal access to a resident's income or resources available to pay for facility care to sign a contract, without incurring personal financial liability, to provide facility payment from the resident's income or resources.
- (3) In the case of a person eligible for Medicaid, a nursing facility must not charge, solicit, accept, or receive, in addition to any amount otherwise required to be paid under the State plan, any gift, money, donation, or other consideration as a precondition of admission, expedited admission or continued stay in the facility. However,--
 - (i) A nursing facility may charge a resident who is eligible for Medicaid for items and services the resident has requested and received, and that are not specified in the State plan as included in the term "nursing facility services" so long as the facility gives proper notice of the availability and cost of these services to residents and does not condition the resident's admission or continued stay on the request for and receipt of such additional services; and
 - (ii) A nursing facility may solicit, accept, or receive a charitable, religious, or philanthropic contribution from an organization or from a person unrelated to a Medicaid eligible resident or potential resident, but only to the extent that the contribution is not a condition of admission, expedited admission, or continued stay in the facility for a Medicaid eligible resident.

(4) States or political subdivisions may apply stricter admissions standards under State or local laws than are specified in this section, to prohibit discrimination against individuals entitled to Medicaid.

PART 483 REQUIREMENTS FOR STATES AND LONG TERM CARE FACILITIES

Subpart B -- Requirements for Long Term Care Facilities Sec. 483.13 -- Resident behavior and facility practices.

- (a) Restraints. The resident has the right to be free from any physical or chemical restraints imposed for purposes of discipline or convenience, and not required to treat the resident's medical symptoms.
- (b) Abuse. The resident has the right to be free from verbal, sexual, physical, and mental abuse, corporal punishment, and involuntary seclusion.

PART 483 REQUIREMENTS FOR STATES AND LONG TERM CARE FACILITIES

Subpart B -- Requirements for Long Term Care Facilities Sec. 483.15 Quality of life.

A facility must care for its residents in a manner and in an environment that promotes maintenance or enhancement of each resident's quality of life.

- (a) Dignity. The facility must promote care for residents in a manner and in an environment that maintains or enhances each resident's dignity and respect in full recognition of his or her individuality.
- (b) Self-determination and participation. The resident has the right to--
 - (1) Choose activities, schedules, and health care consistent with his or her interests, assessments, and plans of care;
 - (2) Interact with members of the community both inside and outside the facility; and

- (3) Make choices about aspects of his or her life in the facility that are significant to the resident.
- (c) Participation in resident and family groups.
 - (1) A resident has the right to organize and participate in resident groups in the facility;
 - (2) A resident's family has the right to meet in the facility with the families of other residents in the facility;
 - (3) The facility must provide a resident or family group, if one exists, with private space;
 - (4) Staff or visitors may attend meetings at the group's invitation;
 - (5) The facility must provide a designated staff person responsible for providing assistance and responding to written requests that result from group meetings;
 - (6) When a resident or family group exists, the facility must listen to the views and act upon the grievances and recommendations of residents and families concerning proposed policy and operational decisions affecting resident care and life in the facility.
- (d) Participation in other activities. A resident has the right to participate in social, religious, and community activities that do not interfere with the rights of other residents in the facility.
- (e) Accommodation of needs. A resident has the right to--
 - (1) Reside and receive services in the facility with reasonable accommodation of individual needs and preferences, except when the health or safety of the individual or other residents would be endangered; and
 - (2) Receive notice before the resident's room or roommate in the facility is changed.

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Pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rules 2081-1(a)(12) and 9075-1, the California Department of Health Care Services ("DHCS") and the California Department of Public Health ("CDPH") hereby move on an emergency basis for an order disqualifying the Stalking Horse Parties from (1) the interim management of any of the Debtors' skilled nursing facilities, and (2) purchasing any of the Debtors' skilled nursing facilities or assets.

There are five grounds for this motion:

RECHNITZ IS A VIOLATOR OF INDUSTRY LAWS AND REGULATIONS. The principal individual behind the Stalking Horse Parties is Shlomo Rechnitz. Rechnitz and his companies (Brius Management Company and Brius LLC) have a history of failing to comply with laws and regulations enforced by DHCS and the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services ("CMS").

Rechnitz and his companies currently own 57 skilled nursing facilities.

B: In October 2013, DHCS issued an enforcement order which has been and is continuing to cause the withholding of 100% of Medi-Cal payments to two of Rechnitz's skilled nursing facilities. This order was imposed because Rechnitz repeatedly and continuously failed or refused to submit required audit materials to DHCS.

C: Within the last week, DHCS issued a new enforcement order which threatens to withhold 20% of Rechnitz's Medi-Cal payments for the remaining 55 of his 57 skilled nursing facilities. This order is being imposed because Rechnitz has again failed or refused to submit required audit materials to DHCS.

In or around April 2014, the federal CMS issued an enforcement order to one of Rechnitz's skilled nursing facilities. This federal enforcement order seeks to (i) deny payment for new admissions; (ii) impose civil monetary penalties; and (iii) terminate the facility's Medicare provider agreement no later than October

2, 2014, if substantial compliance with Medicare participation requirements is not promptly achieved and maintained.

E: Rechnitz's continued and repeated refusals to comply with industry laws and regulations is harming the skilled nursing industry.

- 2. RECENT ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS WILL HARM
 RECHNITZ'S FINANCIAL STABILITY. The financial impact of these
 enforcement orders will hurt Rechnitz's operational revenue. Accordingly, he will
 have less income with which to provide quality patient care.
- 3. RECHNITZ PROBABLY WON'T BE ABLE TO GET REGULATORY APPROVAL TO BE A MEDI-CAL PROVIDER. The pending sale promises to entrust Rechnitz with another 19 skilled nursing facilities. However, because of Rechnitz's history of enforcement activity with DHCS, DHCS is unlikely to approve a transfer of Medi-Cal provider contracts from Debtors to Rechnitz.
- 4. RECHNITZ PROBABLY WON'T BE ABLE TO GET REGULATORY APPROVAL TO OPERATE DEBTORS' SKILLED NURSING FACILITIES. Additionally, for Rechnitz to become licensed to operate Debtors' 19 skilled nursing facilities, Rechnitz must meet a "good character" requirement. CDPH is unlikely to grant licensure to Rechnitz because he will be unable to satisfy the "good character" requirement.
- 5. THIS COURT SHOULD NOT PERMIT AN UNQUALIFIED BUYER TO TAKE OVER DEBTORS' 19 SKILLED NURSING

FACILITIES. Because (i) Rechnitz tends to not comply with regulatory requirements, (ii) Rechnitz's revenue is being markedly reduced and could compromise patient care, (iii) Rechnitz is unlikely to be approved as a Medi-Cal provider for Debtors' facilities, and (iv) Rechnitz is unlikely to be licensed to operate Debtors' facilities, this Court should not allow Rechnitz to manage

Debtors' skilled nursing facilities on an interim basis, and should not approve Rechnitz's purchase of Debtors' facilities or assets.

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The grounds for this motion are supported by the appended declarations from the following individuals:

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1. Jean Iacino, Interim Deputy Director for the Center for Health Care Quality at the California Department of Public Health.

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2. Bob Sands, Assistant Deputy Director of Audits and Investigations ("A&I") at the California Department of Health Care Services.

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A separate declaration re notice and service of process will be provided at the time of hearing.

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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

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Local Bankruptcy Rule 2081-1(a)(12) provides that a movant may request emergency or expedited relief where special circumstances exist. Moreover, "The motion must be supported by evidence that exigent circumstances exist justifying an expedited hearing." Here, the special circumstances are that Shlomo Rechnitz, a serial violator of rules within the skilled nursing industry, is slated to take over interim management of Debtors' 19 skilled nursing facilities on September 1, 2014, i.e., in four days. Because of his multiple enforcement actions and repeated violations of regulatory authority, Rechnitz is not qualified to assume such an important role. During the last week, the regulatory situation involving Rechnitz suddenly became markedly worse: he was the subject of a new DHCS enforcement action which threatens to hold back 20% of his Medi-Cal payments for 55 of his 57 skilled nursing facilities. This new enforcement action, when it goes into effect on September 22, 2014, will affect Rechnitz's business revenue and threaten his ability to deliver high quality patient care. The appended declarations of Jean Iacino and

Bob Sands establish the background facts and circumstances which give rise to the 1 special circumstances and the threat to patient care created by Rechnitz. 2 Local Bankruptcy Rule 9075-1, subdivision (a), sets forth the requirement for 3 bringing an emergency motion. The moving parties have met, or are in the process 4 5 of meeting these requirements. 6 7 Wherefore, the California Department of Health Care Services and the California Department of Public Health urge this Honorable Court to (i) allow the 8 instant motion to be heard on an emergency basis, (ii) disqualify the Stalking Horse 9 Parties/ Bidder from taking over the interim management of Debtors' 19 skilled 10 nursing facilities, and (iii) disqualify the Stalking Horse Parties/ Bidder from 11 purchasing Debtors' 19 skilled nursing facilities or the assets thereof. 12 13 14 Dated: August 28, 2014 Respectfully submitted, 15 KAMALA D. HARRIS Attorney General of California 16 JENNIFÉR KIM DIANE S. SHAW 17 Supervising Deputy Attorneys General 18 19 /s/ Elisa B. Wolfe-Donato ELISA B. WOLFÉ-DONATO 20 Deputy Attorney General Attorneys for California Department 21 of Health Care Services and California Department of Public 22 Health 23 24 25 26 27 28

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DECLARATION OF JEAN IACINO IN SUPPORT OF EMERGENCY MOTION TO DISQUALIFY STALKING HORSE PARTIES FROM (1) INTERIM MANAGEMENT OF DEBTORS' FACILITIES, AND (2) PURCHASING DEBTORS' FACILITIES OR ASSETS

I, Jean Iacino, declare as follows:

- 1. I have personal knowledge of the following facts, and I am competent to testify to their truth, under oath, if called as a witness.
- 2. I am the Interim Deputy Director for the Center for Health Care Quality at the California Department of Public Health (CDPH).
- 3. CDPH is responsible for overseeing and regulating skilled nursing facilities for the protection of the health and safety of the residents. As the Interim Deputy Director for the Center for Health Care Quality, I am responsible for developing, implementing, and enforcing programs to protect patient health and safety; ensuring quality health care for patients, clients and residents in health facilities; and ensuring the quality of healthcare staff and professionals who work in health facilities through licensing, examination, inspection, education, and proficiency testing.
- 4. I am familiar with Shlomo Rechnitz (Rechnitz) and his corporate entities, Brius Management Company and Brius LLC (collectively as Brius). Rechnitz currently owns and controls fifty-seven (57) skilled nursing facilities licensed by CDPH.
- 5. On Tuesday, August 26, 2014, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) notified me that (i) Rechnitz and Brius have refused to provide necessary audit documentation to DHCS after being given many opportunities to do so, and that (ii) on August 22, 2014, DHCS notified Rechnitz's counsel, Mark Johnson of Hooper, Lundy, and Bookman, P.C., that DHCS will commence withholds of twenty percent (20%) of Medi-Cal funding from fifty-five (55) skilled nursing facilities owned and controlled by Rechnitz, if the requested documentation is not provided to DHCS by September 22, 2104. In my experience and observation, this

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- 6. Also on August 26, 2014, I learned that in October 2013, DHCS imposed a one hundred percent (100%) withhold of Medi-Cal funding upon the two other skilled nursing facilities controlled and owned by Rechnitz for their repeated and ongoing refusal and failure to file a cost report for the 2012 cost reporting year. The repeated and ongoing failure and refusal to file the necessary cost reports for the 2012 year has delayed DHCS's ability to complete its audit of the fifty-seven (57) facilities owned and controlled by Rechnitz and has impeded DHCS's ability to establish the NF B (continuous nursing care) nursing rates for the new rate year that started on August 1, 2014. This is a very serious violation that creates significant harm to the State of California and the skilled nursing community.
- 7. I have reviewed the events leading to the imposition of the current one hundred percent (100%) withhold of Medi-Cal funding to two facilities, and the pending twenty percent (20%) withhold of that funding from fifty-five facilities. Rechnitz's conduct shows repeated and ongoing disregard for regulatory requirements.
- 8. Given the significant number and portion of the current and future Medi-Cal funding withhold, CDPH has grave concerns, in the instant case, about the pending sale of additional facilities to Rechnitz.
- 9. A reduction of Medi-Cal funding to Rechnitz's currently-owned group of fifty-seven (57) skilled nursing facilities could seriously jeopardize the services and compromise the care provided to residents at those facilities, as well as at any new facilities that Rechnitz may acquire.
- 10. I recently became aware that the federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has taken several enforcement actions against a facility owned and controlled by Rechnitz Gridley Healthcare & Wellness Centre LLC for substantial noncompliance with federal requirements for participation in the

Medicare and/or Medicaid programs. The CMS enforcement actions include:

- denial of payment for new admissions;
- civil monetary penalties; and
- termination of the facility's Medicare provider agreement no later than October 2, 2014, if substantial compliance with Medicare participation requirements is not promptly achieved and maintained.
- agencies raise significant concerns as to the wisdom of the sale of additional skilled nursing facilities to Rechnitz. Chief among those concerns is the safety of placing additional residents under the care of Rechnitz and his corporate entities, even on a temporary basis, given their demonstrated record of repeated and ongoing noncompliance with state and federal regulatory requirements, and resultant enforcement actions.
- 12. Furthermore, as the state licensing agency for skilled nursing facilities, CDPH is required by section 1265 of the California Health and Safety Code (West 2006) to consider several factors in making its decisions to grant or deny licensure. One of those factors is the demonstration by the applicant of reputable and responsible character. Rechnitz's failure to cooperate fully with DHCS and CMS creates great doubt as to whether Rechnitz can satisfy this "good character" requirement.
 - 13. I make this declaration in my official capacity.

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

Executed on August 28, 2014, at Sacramento, California.

Jean Iacino Declarant

DECLARATION OF BOB SANDS IN SUPPORT OF EMERGENCY MOTION TO DISQUALIFY STALKING HORSE PARTIES FROM (1) INTERIM MANAGEMENT OF DEBTORS' FACILITIES, AND (2) PURCHASING DEBTORS' FACILITIES OR ASSETS

I, Robert Sands, declare as follows:

- 1. I have personal knowledge of the following facts, and I am competent to testify to their truth, under oath, if called as a witness.
- 2. I am employed as the Assistant Deputy Director of Audits and Investigations (A&I), California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS). As the Assistant Deputy Director of A&I, I am responsible for directing and overseeing the audit and investigations operations of A&I.
- 3. On September 4, 2013, DHCS sent the first letter to Brius Management Company (Brius) regarding the placement of Highland Park and Brighton Place Spring Valley (Brighton) on twenty percent withhold for failure to file a home office cost report.
- 4. On October 10, 2013, DHCS sent the second letter to Brius
 Management Company regarding the placement of Highland Park and Brighton on
 one hundred percent withhold for failure to file a home office cost report.
- 5. On October 30, 2013, DHCS and Axiom Healthcare (Axiom cost report preparer) exchanged e-mails regarding the filing of a home office cost report for Brius Management Company.
- 6. On December 20, 2013, DHCS sent a letter to Mr. Mike Lesnick of Axiom, which stated that Highland Park and Brighton will remain on withhold pending the filing of a home office cost report as required under Title 42, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 413.24 and CMS Pub. 15-1, Section 2413, for Brius. The letter listed five specific items for Axiom to submit along with the home office cost report. Among the items requested was a full disclosure of all facilities owned

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On January 29, 2014, DHCS held a telephone conference with Mr. 7. Rechnitz's representative, Mike Lesnick of Axiom (Lesnick) and Mark Johnson of Hooper, Lundy, and Bookman (Johnson) to discuss the facilities on withhold. Both parties agreed that Mr. Rechnitz's operations need to be reviewed on a global basis which would a home office cost report that incorporated all of the various regional offices such as Boardwalk West Financial Services LLC (Boardwalk), Citrus Wellness LLC (Citrus), Core Healthcare Centers LLC (Core), and all the related

Lesnick has not submitted a proposal for a global home office cost report. On February 6, 2014, DHCS received a home office cost report for

party transactions such as Twin Med and JI Medical. Mr. Lesnick stated that he

would give DHCS a proposal for a global home office cost report. To date, Mr.

- Brius and a home office cost report for Brius LLC. The two home office cost reports disclose no assets, no liabilities, no income, and no expense for either Brius
- or Brius LLC.
- On February 7, 2014, DHCS informed Mr. Johnson that the auditors 9. found fees for Rockport Healthcare Services (Rockport) during the review of the
- 2012 cost report and inquired if a home office cost report would be filed for Rockport.
- 10. On February 7, 2014, Mr. Johnson stated that Rockport is an administrative service company that provides various consulting and administrative services to facilities in which Mr. Rechnitz had an ownership interest. Neither Mr. Rechnitz nor anyone related to Mr. Rechnitz had any ownership interest in Rockport.
- 11. On February 14, 2014, DHCS asked Mr. Johnson if a home office cost report for Rockport would be filed and if not, why not. DHCS also asked if

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- Rockport is a related party and that the issue of related party through control must be addressed. Mr. Johnson did not believe Rockport was a related party.
- On February 18, 2014, DHCS sent Mr. Johnson a request for nine 12, specific items to document the relationship between Rockport and Mr. Rechnitz. There was no response.
- 13. On February 24, 2014, DHCS e-mailed Mr. Johnson regarding the status of the home office documentation. Again, there was no response.
- 14. On March 7, 2014, DHCS again e-mailed Mr. Johnson regarding the status of the home office documentation, for which it did not receive a response
- On March 17, 2014, DHCS, once again, e-mailed Mr. Johnson 15: regarding the status of home office documentation, again, DHCS did no receive a response.
- 16. On March 24, 2014, DHCS formally requested from Mr. Johnson that a home office cost report be filed for Rockport.
- On March 31, 2014, Mr. Johnson wrote to respond to DHCS's 17. December 20, 2013 letter. The response included a list of fifty-eight facilities in which Mr. Rechnitz had an ownership interest and a list of business entities in which Mr. Rechnitz had an ownership interest. This is the first time the number of facilities owned by Mr. Rechnitz was disclosed to DHCS's Financial Audits Branch.
- Mr. Johnson's March 31, 2014 letter claimed that Rockport was not a 18: related party and directed DHCS to contact Foley Hoag (Hoag), the attorney for Rockport for any questions related to Rockport. The letter stated, "We are informed that Rockport Healthcare Services, LLC ("Rockport") is owned by Steven Stroll and Marsha Stroll, each as individuals." The letter also disclosed that Steven Stroll was Mr. Rechnitz's certified public account and had been providing tax services to Mr. Rechnitz since 1998.

failed to disclose any assets, liabilities, equity, income, or expense. Mr. Johnson

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- was informed that the two Brius home office cost reports did not constitute proper home office cost reports and the Highland Park and Brighton facilities would remain on a one hundred percent withhold.
- 26. On May 15, 2014, DHCS held a telephonic conference with Mr. Johnson to clarify the outstanding document requests and the need to file home office cost reports.
- 27. On May 15, 2014, DHCS inquired with Mr. Hoag regarding its April 8, 2014 request for the Rockport documentation.
- 28. On May 22, 2014, DHCS again inquired with Mr. Hoag regarding its April 8, 2014 request for the Rockport documentation.
- 29. On May 28, 2014, Mr. Johnson wrote to DHCS, stating that Boardwalk and Citrus are related parties and that home office cost reports should have been filed but were not. Mr. Johnson's letter also stated that the related party profit for Boardwalk and Citrus were not eliminated on the filed facilities' cost reports. The same letter also stated that Mr. Stroll was not Mr. Rechnitz's agent. However, the statement is contrary to the records at the Secretary of State's Office.
- 30. On June 4, 2014, Mr. Hoag confirmed that Mr. Stroll is the owner of Rockport, that Rockport provides services to all fifty-eight of Mr. Rechnitz's facilities and three non-Rechnitz-owned facilities.
- 31. On August 22, 2014, DHCS sent a formal letter to Mr. Johnson that the failure of Mr. Rechnitz to submit a home office cost report for Rockport, Boardwalk, and Citrus has impeded the State's ability to complete the audits of 57 nursing facilities and to establish NF B rates when the rate year started on August 1, 2014. If the home office cost reports are not received by September 22, 2014, DHCS will place 55 facilities on 20% withhold under Title 42, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 413.24 and CMS Pub. 15-1, Section 2413. The two facilities currently on 100% withhold will remain on 100% withhold.

- 32. If DHCS does not to receive Rockport, Boardwalk, and Citrus home office cost reports by September 22, 2014, DHCS will place 100% withhold to all 55 facilities, all interim payments since the beginning of the cost reporting period can be deemed overpayments per CMS. Pub. 15-1, Section 100.
- 33. If Rechnitz does not submit the Rockport, Boardwalk, Citrus home office cost reports after the 100% withhold, DHCS can take administrative action to temporarily suspend the facilities from providing Medi-Cal services.
- 34. Given the significant degree of non-compliance by Rechnitz in submitting home office cost reports, DHCS has grave concerns, in the instant case, about the pending sale of additional facilities.

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

Executed on August 28, 2014, at Sacra ments California.

Bob Sands Declarant NOTE: When using this form to indicate service of a proposed order, DO NOT list any person or entity in Category I. Proposed orders do not generate an NEF because only orders that have been entered are placed on the CM/ECF docket.

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1. TO BE SERVED BY THE COURT VIA NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING ("NEF") - Pursuant to controlling General Order(s) and Local Bankruptcy Rule(s) ("LBR"), the foregoing document will be served by the court via NEF and hyperlink to the document. On August 28, 2014, I checked the CM/ECF docket for this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding and determined that the following person(s) are on the Electronic Mail Notice List to receive NEF transmission at the email address(es) indicated below

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III. SERVED BY PERSONAL DELIVERY, FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION OR EMAIL (indicate method for each person or entity served): Pursuant to F.R.Civ.P. 5 and/or controlling LBR, on August 28, 2014, I served the following person(s) and/or entity(ies) by personal delivery, or (for those who consented in writing to such service method), by facsimile transmission and/or email as follows. Listing the judge here constitutes a declaration that personal delivery on the judge will be completed no later than 24 hours after the document is filed.

Honorable Catherine	E. Bauer	(VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL)
U.S. Bankruptcy Cou	rt, Courtroom 365	
411 W. Fourth Street,	Suite 2030, Santa Ana, CA 92701	-4593
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declare under penalty of p	perjury under the laws of the Unit	ed States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.
August 28, 2014	Evelyn Mendoza	/s/ Evelyn Mendoza
Date ·	Type Name	Signature

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SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: SHLOMO RECHNITZ; BRIUS (AVISO AL DEMANDADO): MANAGEMENT CO., INC.; BRIUS, LLC; SOL HEALTHCARE, LLC; B-SPRING VALLEY, LLC; CNRC, LLC; POINT LOMA REHABILITATION CENTER, LLC; CENTINELA

Additional Parties Attachment form is attached.

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: RAYMOND FOREMAN, by and (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): through his Attorney in Fact, LaTonya Foreman,

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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Shorri R. Carter, Executive Officer/Clark By: Shaunya Bolden, Deputy

NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property 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 know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Heip Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. ¡AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación.

Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia.

Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucorte.ca.gov) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10,000 ó más de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso.

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

→ This form may be used as an attachment to any summons if space does not permit the listing of all parties on the summons.

→ If this attachment is used, insert the following statement in the plaintiff or defendant box on the summons: "Additional Parties Attachment form is attached."
List additional parties (Check only one box. Use a separate page for each type of party.):
Plaintiff X Defendant Cross-Complainant Cross-Defendant
SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE - WEST, LLC; CENTINELA SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE - EAST, LLC; HIGHLAND PARK SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC; LAIBCO, LLC; SOUTH PASADENA REHABILITATION CENTER, LLC; LIGHTHOUSE HEALTHCARE CENTER, LLC; VERNON HEALTHCARE, LLC; NORWALK SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC; VERDUGO VALLEY SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC; MAYWOOD SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC; WISH-I-AH HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC; FRESNO SKILLED NURSING & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC; OAKHURST HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC; EUREKA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LLC; GRANADA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP; PACIFIC REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP; SEAVIEW REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP; FORTUNA REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP; SEAVIEW REHABILITATION & WELLNESS CENTER, LP; CLC; CLAIREMONT HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LP; SOLNUS THREE, LLC; SOLNUS FOUR, LLC; SOLNUS FIVE, LLC; SOLNUS SIX, LLC; SOLNUS SEVEN, LLC; SOLNUS TWO, LLC; SOLNUS THREE, LLC; SOLNUS FOUR, LLC; SOLNUS FIVE, LLC; SOLNUS SIX, LLC; SOLNUS SEVEN, LLC; SOLNUS EIGHT, LLC; LAWNDALE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LP; NOTELLAGE CORPORATION; FOUR SEASONS HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LP; ALHAMBRA HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTER, LP; MESA VERDE CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL, INC.; FULLERTON HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP; HAWTHORNE HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC; YORK HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP; NOVATO HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LLC; YORK HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP; NOVATO HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CENTRE, LP; SAN GABRIEL HEALTHCARE & WELLNESS CE

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CITY AND ZIP CODE: Los Angeles, 90012		Sherri R. Carter, Executive Officer/Clerk By: Shaunya Bolden, Deputy
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CIVIL CASE COVER SHEET	Complex Case Designation	CASE NUMBER:
X Unlimited Limited	Counter Joinder	
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Items 1–6 be	low must be completed (see instructions o	n page 2).
 Check one box below for the case type that 	at best describes this case:	
Auto Tort		rovisionally Complex Civil Litigation
Auto (22)		Cal. Rules of Court, rules 3.400-3.403)
Uninsured motorist (46)	Rule 3.740 collections (09)	Antitrust/Trade regulation (03)
Other PI/PD/WD (Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death) Tort	Other collections (09)	Construction defect (10)
Asbestos (04)	Insurance coverage (18)	Mass tort (40)
Product liability (24)	Other contract (37)	Securities litigation (28)
Medical malpractice (45)	Real Property Eminent domain/Inverse	Environmental/Toxic tort (30)
Other PI/PD/WD (23)	condemnation (14)	Insurance coverage claims arising from the above listed provisionally complex case
Non-PI/PD/WD (Other) Tort	Wrongful eviction (33)	types (41)
Business tort/unfair business practice (07	Other real property (26)	nforcement of Judgment
Civil rights (08)	<u>Unla</u> wful Detainer	Enforcement of judgment (20)
Defamation (13)	Commercial (31)	liscellaneous Civil Complaint
Fraud (16)	Residential (32)	RICO (27)
Intellectual property (19)	Drugs (38)	Other complaint (not specified above) (42)
Professional negligence (25)	Judicial Review	liscellaneous Civil Petition
Other non-PI/PD/WD tort (35)	Asset forfeiture (05)	Partnership and corporate governance (21)
Employment	Petition re: arbitration award (11)	Other petition (not specified above) (43)
Wrongful termination (36)	Writ of mandate (02)	(not opcomed above) (not
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factors requiring exceptional judicial mana	gement:	es of Court. If the case is complex, mark the
a. Large number of separately repre		
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Remedies sought (check all that apply): a.		claratory or injunctive relief c. X punitive
4. Number of causes of action (specify): Four		
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6. If there are any known related cases, file a	and serve a notice of related case. (You may	ay use form CM-015.)
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(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)	NOTICE	NATURE OF PARTY OR ATTORNEY FOR PARTY)
Plaintiff must file this cover sheet with the tunder the Probate Code, Family Code, or the constitute of the consti	irst paper filed in the action or proceeding	(except small claims cases or cases filed of Court, rule 3.220.) Failure to file may result
 in sanctions. File this cover sheet in addition to any cove If this case is complex under rule 3.400 et 	er sheet required by local court rule. seq. of the California Rules of Court, you r	nust serve a copy of this cover sheet on all
		will be used for statistical purposes only.
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INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO COMPLETE THE COVER SHEET

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 plaintiff's 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.

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 Liability (e.g., slip

Intentional Bodily Injury/PD/WD

Emotional Distress

Emotional Distress

Intentional Infliction of

Negligent Infliction of

(e.g., assault, vandalism)

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) 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)

CASE TYPES AND EXAMPLES

Contract Breach of Contract/Warranty (06) Breach of Rental/Lease Contract (not unlawful detainer or wrongful eviction) Contract/Warranty Breach-Seller Plaintiff (not fraud or negligence) Negligent Breach of Contract/ Warranty Other Breach of Contract/Warranty Collections (e.g., money owed, open book accounts) (09) Collection Case-Seller Plaintiff Other Promissory Note/Collections Case Insurance Coverage (not provisionally complex) (18) Auto Subrogation Other Coverage Other Contract (37) Contractual Fraud Other Contract Dispute **Real Property** Eminent Domain/Inverse Condemnation (14) Wrongful Eviction (33)

foreclosure) **Unlawful Detainer**

Commercial (31) Residential (32)

Quiet Title

Drugs (38) (if the case involves illegal drugs, check this item; otherwise. report as Commercial or Residential)

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

Other Real Property (not eminent

domain, landlord/tenant, or

Mortgage Foreclosure

Writ of Possession of Real Property

Judicial Review Asset Forfeiture (05) Petition Re: Arbitration Award (11) Writ of Mandate (02) Writ-Administrative Mandamus Writ-Mandamus on Limited Court Case Matter Writ-Other Limited Court Case Review Other Judicial Review (39) Review of Health Officer Order

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

Claim

Other 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

Other Employment (15)

Notice of Appeal-Labor

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 2.0 in all new civil case filings in the Los Angeles Superior Court.

Item I. Check the types of hearing and fill in the estimated length of hearing expected for this case: JURY TRIAL? X YES CLASS ACTION? X YES LIMITED CASE? YES TIME ESTIMATED FOR TRIAL 15 HOURS/ DAYS

Item II. Indicate the correct district and courthouse location (4 steps - If you checked "Limited Case", skip to Item III, Pg. 4):

Step 1: After first completing the Civil Case Cover Sheet form, find the main Civil Case Cover Sheet heading for your case in the left margin below, and, to the right in Column A, the Civil Case Cover Sheet case type you selected.

Step 2: Check one Superior Court type of action in Column B below which best describes the nature of this case.

Step 3: In Column C, circle the reason for the court location choice that applies to the type of action you have checked. For any exception to the court location, see Local Rule 2.0.

Applicable Reasons for Choosing Courthouse Location (see Column C below)

- Class actions must be filed in the Stanley Mosk Courthouse, central district.
- May be filed in central (other county, or no bodily injury/property damage). Location where cause of action arose.
- Location where bodily injury, death or damage occurred.
 Location where performance required or defendant resides.

- Location of property or permanently garaged vehicle. Location where petitioner resides. Location wherein defendant/respondent functions wholly. Location where one or more of the parties reside. Location of Labor Commissioner Office

Step 4: Fill in the information requested on page 4 in Item III; complete Item IV. Sign the declaration.

of the Other Personal Injury/ Property Damage/ Wrongful Death Tort

A Civil Case Cover Sheet Category No.	B Type of Action (Check only one)	C Applicable Reasons - See Step 3 Above
Auto (22)	□ A7100 Motor Vehicle - Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death	1., 2., 4.
Uninsured Motorist (46)	□ A7110 Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death – Uninsured Motorist	1., 2., 4.
Asbestos (04)	□ A6070 Asbestos Property Damage □ A7221 Asbestos - Personal Injury/Wrongful Death	2. 2.
Product Liability (24)	□ A7260 Product Liability (not asbestos or toxic/environmental)	1., 2., 3., 4., 8.
Medical Malpractice (45)	□ A7210 Medical Malpractice - Physicians & Surgeons □ A7240 Other Professional Health Care Malpractice	1., 4. 1., 4.
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. 1., 4. 1., 3. 1., 4.

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Non-Personal Injury/ Property Damage/ Wrongful Death Tort

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Business Tort (07)	Ø	A6029	Other Commercial/Business Tort (not fraud/breach of contract)	1), 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.
Professional Negligence (25)			Legal Malpractice Other Professional Malpractice (not medical or legal)	1., 2., 3. 1., 2., 3.
Other (35) ;	п.	A6025	Other Non-Personal Injury/Property Damage tort	2.,3.
Wrongful Termination (36)		A6037	Wrongful Termination	1., 2., 3.
Other Employment (15)	l		Other Employment Complaint Case Labor Commissioner Appeals	1., 2., 3. 10.
		A6004	Breach of Rental/Lease Contract (not unlawful detainer or wrongful eviction)	2., 5.
Breach of Contract/ Warranty (06)	0 .	A6008	Contract/Warranty Breach -Seller Plaintiff (no fraud/negligence)	2., 5.
(not insurance)		A6019	Negligent Breach of Contract/Warranty (no fraud)	1., 2., 5.
		A6028	Other Breach of Contract/Warranty (not fraud or negligence)	1., 2., 5.
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Collections (09)	_ ,	A6012	Other Promissory Note/Collections Case	2., 5.
Insurance Coverage (18)	_ ,	A6015	Insurance Coverage (not complex)	1., 2., 5., 8.
	_ ,	A6009	Contractual Fraud	1., 2., 3., 5.
Other Contract (37)	0 /	A6031	Tortious Interference	1., 2., 3., 5.
	_ /	A6027	Other Contract Dispute(not breach/insurance/fraud/negligence)	1., 2., 3., 8.
Eminent Domain/Inverse Condemnation (14)	_ <i>/</i>	A7300	Eminent Domain/Condemnation Number of parcels	2.
Wrongful Eviction (33)	_ /	A6023	Wrongful Eviction Case	2., 6.
	_ /	A6018	Mortgage Foreclosure	2., 6.
Other Real Property (26)	n /	A6032	Quiet Title	2., 6.
		A6060	Other Real Property (not eminent domain, landlord/tenant, foreclosure)	2., 6.
Unlawful Detainer-Commercial (31)	_ /	A6021	Unlawful Detainer-Commercial (not drugs or wrongful eviction)	2., 6.
Unlawful Detainer-Residential (32)	_ <i>/</i>	46020	Unlawful Detainer-Residential (not drugs or wrongful eviction)	2., 6.
Unlawful Detainer- Post-Foreclosure (34)	_ A	46020F	Unlawful Detainer-Post-Foreclosure	2., 6.
Unlawful Detainer-Drugs (38)	_ A	A6022	Unlawful Detainer-Drugs	2., 6.

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	Asset Forfeiture (05)	□ A6108 Asset Forfeiture Case	2., 6.
/iew	Petition re Arbitration (11)	☐ A6115 Petition to Compel/Confirm/Vacate Arbitration	2., 5.
Judicial Review		☐ A6151 Writ - Administrative Mandamus	2., 8.
dicia	Writ of Mandate (02)	☐ A6152 Writ - Mandamus on Limited Court Case Matter	2.
řΥ		□ A6153 Writ - Other Limited Court Case Review	2.
	Other Judicial Review (39)	☐ A6150 Other Writ /Judicial Review	2., 8.
ion	Antitrust/Trade Regulation (03)	☐ A6003 Antitrust/Trade Regulation	1., 2., 8.
∟itigat	Construction Defect (10)	☐ A6007 Construction Defect	1., 2., 3.
Provisionally Complex Litigation	Claims Involving Mass Tort (40)	□ A6006 Claims Involving Mass Tort	1., 2., 8.
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visiona	Toxic Tort Environmental (30)	☐ A6036 Toxic Tort/Environmental	1., 2., 3., 8.
Pro	Insurance Coverage Claims from Complex Case (41).	☐ A6014 Insurance Coverage/Subrogation (complex case only)	1., 2., 5., 8.
		□ A6141 Sister State Judgment	2., 9.
ent		☐ A6160 Abstract of Judgment	2., 6.
Semic	Enforcement	☐ A6107 Confession of Judgment (non-domestic relations)	2., 9.
Enforcement of Judgment	of Judgment (20)	☐ A6140 Administrative Agency Award (not unpaid taxes)	2., 8.
o E		☐ A6114 Petition/Certificate for Entry of Judgment on Unpaid Tax	2., 8.
		□ A6112 Other Enforcement of Judgment Case	2., 8., 9.
IS Its	RICO (27)	☐ A6033 Racketeering (RICO) Case	1., 2., 8.
Miscellaneous Civil Complaints		☐ A6030 Declaratory Relief Only	1., 2., 8.
Som	Other Complaints	☐ A6040 Injunctive Relief Only (not domestic/harassment)	2., 8.
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- 3		□ A6000 Other Civil Complaint (non-tort/non-complex)	1., 2., 8.
	Partnership Corporation Governance (21)	□ A6113 Partnership and Corporate Governance Case	2., 8.
		□ A6121 Civil Harassment	2., 3., 9.
ous		□ A6123 Workplace Harassment	2., 3., 9.
Miscellaneous Civil Petitions	0.0	□ A6124 Elder/Dependent Adult Abuse Case	2., 3., 9.
scel vii P	Other Petitions (Not Specified Above)	□ A6190 Election Contest	2.
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		□ A6170 Petition for Relief from Late Claim Law	2., 3., 4., 8.
		☐ A6100 Other Civil Petition	2., 9.
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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. 03/11).
- 5. Payment in full of the filing fee, unless fees have been waived.
- 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 NOTICE OF CASE ASSIGNMENT – CLASS ACTION CASES

Case Number _____

THIS FORM IS TO BE SERVED WITH THE SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT

Your case is assigned for all purposes to the judicia	al officer indicated belov	w (Local Rule 3.3(c)
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Judge William F. Highberger	322	1702
Judge John Shepard Wiley, Jr.	311	1408
Judge Kenneth Freeman	310	1412
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Instructions for handling Class Action Civil Cases

The following critical provisions of the Chapter Three Rules, as applicable in the Central District, are summarized for your assistance.

APPLICATION

The Chapter Three Rules were effective January 1, 1994. They apply to all general civil cases.

PRIORITY OVER OTHER RULES

The Chapter Three 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 Individual Calendaring Court 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 of filing.

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

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 at a status conference not more than 10 days before the trial to have timely filed and served all motions in limine, bifurcation motions, statements of major evidentiary issues, dispositive motions, requested jury instructions, and special jury instructions and special jury verdicts. These matters may be heard and resolved at this conference. At least 5 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 Eight 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 the party.

This is not a complete delineation of the 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 absolutely imperative.

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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◆**

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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?
 - Initial mutual exchanges of documents at the "core" of the litigation. (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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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.
- 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.
- 3. 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 filling 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 filing of the Request for Informal Discovery Conference until (a) the request is denied or deemed denied or (b) twenty (20) days after the filing 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 filing 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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