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SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)

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NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVISO AL DEMANDADO):

JP BIZ LLC, a California limited liability company; WASH N'DRY, entity type unknown; CITY OF BAKERSFIELD, a public entity; COUNTY OF KERN, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive,

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE):

AMY ESPINOZA, an individual;

ELECTRONICALLY FILED
Superior Court of California,
County of Kern

By: Javen Silva
Deputy Clerk

09/17/2026

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-Help 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.

The name and address of the court is:

(El nombre y dirección de la corte es): Metro Division
1415 Truxtun Ave 1215
Bakersfield, CA 93301 JS

CASE NUMBER:
(Número del Caso):

26CUB03655

The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is:

(El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):

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DATE:

(Fecha) **09/17/2026**

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(Adjunto)

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[SEAL]



NOTICE TO THE PERSON SERVED: You are served

1. ☐ as an individual defendant.
2. ☐ as the person sued under the fictitious name of (specify):
3. ☒ on behalf of (specify): **County of Kern, a public entity**
under: ☐ CCP 416.10 (corporation) ☐ CCP 416.60 (minor)
☐ CCP 416.20 (defunct corporation) ☐ CCP 416.70 (conservatee)
☐ CCP 416.40 (association or partnership) ☐ CCP 416.90 (authorized person)
☒ other (specify): **CCP416.50 (public entity)**
4. ☐ by personal delivery on (date):

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Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By *Michelle J. [Signature]*, Deputy

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF KERN

AMY ESPINOZA, an individual;

Plaintiff,

vs.

JP BIZ LLC, a California limited liability company; WASH N'DRY, entity type unknown; CITY OF BAKERSFIELD, a public entity; COUNTY OF KERN, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive,

Defendants.

Case No.: 26CUB03655

COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES FOR

- 1. NEGLIGENCE;**
- 2. PREMISES LIABILITY;**
- 3. VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE § 815.2(a) AND 820(a);**
- 4. DANGEROUS CONDITION OF PUBLIC PROPERTY; AND**

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

COMES NOW Plaintiff AMY ESPINOZA who complains and alleges as follows:

PARTIES, VENUE AND JURISDICTION

1. Plaintiff AMY ESPINOZA ("PLAINTIFF") is, and at all relevant times was, a resident of the City of San Jose, County of Santa Clara, State of California.

2. PLAINTIFF is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges that at all times mentioned herein, Defendants CITY OF BAKERSFIELD and COUNTY OF KERN, are public entities existing under the laws of the State of California, which governing board, officers, employees and staff, operated, managed, supervised, and controlled a public sidewalk located at or near 6621 Ming Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93309 (hereinafter the

1 "PREMISES").

2 3. PLAINTIFF is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges that at all times
3 mentioned herein, Defendants JP BIZ LLC, WASH N'DRY, and/or DOES 1 through 50
4 managed and controlled a sidewalk and/or ramp located at or near the PREMISES.

5 4. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges that at all times
6 mentioned herein, Defendant JP BIZ LLC, is a California limited liability.

7 5. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges that at all times
8 mentioned herein, Defendant WASH N'DRY, entity type unknown, is a company located
9 in California with a sufficient amount of its operations in California that it can be
10 considered a resident of the State of California. Defendant WASH N'DRY is authorized to
11 do and/or is doing business in the State of California, and that said Defendant has
12 regularly conducted business in the State of California.

13 6. The true names and capacities, whether individual, plural, corporate,
14 partnership, associate or otherwise of DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, are presently
15 unknown to PLAINTIFF, who therefore sues said DEFENDANTS by such fictitious
16 names. The full extent of the facts linking such factiously sued DEFENDANTS with the
17 causes of action alleged herein is unknown to PLAINTIFF. PLAINTIFF is informed and
18 believes, and thereupon alleges, that each of the DEFENDANTS designated herein as a
19 DOE was and is negligently, carelessly, recklessly, unlawfully, tortuously, wantonly,
20 wrongfully, illegally, or in some other actionable matter, responsible for the events and
21 happenings hereinafter referred to, and thereby negligently, carelessly, recklessly,
22 unlawfully, tortuously, wantonly, wrongfully, and illegally proximately caused the
23 hereinafter described injuries and damages to PLAINTIFF. PLAINTIFF will later file an
24 amendment to this Complaint or seek leave of Court to amend this Complaint to show
25 DEFENDANTS' true names and capacities after the same has been ascertained.

26 7. PLAINTIFF is informed and believes, and thereupon alleges, that at all
27 times mentioned herein, DEFENDANTS, and each of them, including DOES 1 through
28 100, inclusive, and each of them, were agents, servants, employees and joint venturers

of each other, and were, as such, acting within the course, scope and authority of said agency, employment and joint venture, and that each and every DEFENDANT, as aforesaid, when acting as a principal, was negligent in the selection and hiring of each and every DEFENDANT as an agent, employee, contractor, subcontractor and joint venture, and that each DEFENDANT, by and through its officers, officials, directors, managers, supervisors and/or managing agents, authorized, ratified and otherwise approved the acts of the remaining DEFENDANTS, and that said officers, directors, or managing agents participated in said acts with the DEFENDANTS, including DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, and each of them.

8. PLAINTIFF has timely complied with all government claim presentation requirements. On or about March 27, 2026, PLAINTIFF presented Defendant CITY OF BAKERSFIELD with a written claim in compliance with the requirements of Sections 900 to 915.4, et seq. of the California Government Code.

9. PLAINTIFF is informed and believes Defendant CITY OF BAKERSFIELD denied the claim on April 6, 2026.

10. PLAINTIFF has timely complied with all government claim presentation requirements. On or about March 27, 2026, PLAINTIFF presented Defendant COUNTY OF KERN with a written claim in compliance with requirements of Sections 900 to 915.4, et seq. of the California Government Code.

11. PLAINTIFF is informed and believes Defendant COUNTY OF KERN has not yet rejected his claims. Therefore, pursuant to Government Code Section 912.4, PLAINTIFF's claim is deemed rejected by law and PLAINTIFF's complaint is timely as it is two years from the accrual of the cause of action within which to bring suit under Government Code Section 945.6(a)(2).

12. Venue is proper in this Court pursuant to § 395(a) of the California Code of Civil Procedure as injury giving rise to this action occurred in the County of Kern, State of California.

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

13. PLAINTIFF hereby re-alleges and incorporates by reference each and every preceding paragraph as though fully set forth herein.

14. While lawfully on the PREMISES on or about November 25, 2025

15. , PLAINTIFF was seriously injured when she was walking and tripped on an uneven, uplifted, separated, and/or defective pavement found on said sidewalk and/or ramp on the PREMISES. As a result of the unsafe sidewalk and/or ramp or walkway, causing PLAINTIFF to trip and fall resulting in serious injuries.

16. Defendants CITY OF BAKERSFIELD, COUNTY OF KERN, JP BIZ LLC, WASH N'DRY, and DOES 1 through 100, and each of them, had a duty to maintain their premises in a safe condition and to disclose the dangerous condition to PLAINTIFF.

17. Defendants CITY OF BAKERSFIELD, COUNTY OF KERN, JP BIZ LLC, WASH N'DRY, and DOES 1 through 100, and each of them, failed to own, lease, operate, maintain, design, install, build, manage and/or otherwise control the PREMISES in a safe condition.

18. As a proximate result of the conduct of the Defendants CITY OF BAKERSFIELD, COUNTY OF KERN, JP BIZ LLC, WASH N'DRY, and DOES 1 through 100, and each of them, PLAINTIFF sustained losses in an amount to be determined at trial, including but not limited to, physical injuries to his body requiring medical treatment and care, physical pain and mental suffering, loss of earnings and the capacity to maintain gainful employment, among other general and special damages in an amount to be determined according to proof.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

NEGLIGENCE

(As Against Defendants JP BIZ LLC, WASH N'DRY, and DOES 1 through 50)

19. PLAINTIFF hereby re-alleges and incorporates by reference each and every preceding paragraph as though fully set forth herein.

20. PLAINTIFF is informed and believes, and thereon alleges that Defendants JP BIZ LLC, WASH N'DRY, and DOES 1 through 50, and each of them, carelessly and

1 negligently designed, constructed, owned, operated, maintained, inspected, controlled
2 their premises and, carelessly and negligently supervised, managed, instructed,
3 performed work and selected, hired, engaged and permitted others to perform work, on
4 the PREMISES resulting in the presence of dangerous, defective, and unsafe condition
5 on the PREMISES.

6 21. PLAINTIFF is informed and believes, and thereon alleges that Defendants
7 JP BIZ LLC, WASH N'DRY, and DOES 1 through 50, and each of them, failed to provide
8 adequate safeguards against this known dangerous condition by, among other acts and
9 omissions, failing to maintain, inspect, repair and/or replace the sidewalk and/or ramp or
10 walkway which is at issue in this matter. DEFENDANTS also failed to take the sidewalk
11 and/or ramp out of commission, while knowing, or reasonably should have known, that
12 the sidewalk and/or ramp needed to be replaced or repaired. DEFENDANTS also failed
13 to warn PLAINTIFF of the dangerous condition of the sidewalk and/or ramp.

14 22. As a direct and proximate result of each Defendants' JP BIZ LLC, WASH
15 N'DRY, and DOES 1 through 50 acts and omissions and the dangerous condition of the
16 PREMISES, PLAINTIFF has suffered pain, mental anguish, emotional distress and
17 physical distress, and was injured in mind and body, causing damage in a sum in excess
18 of the minimum jurisdictional amount of this Court.

19 23. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants JP BIZ LLC, WASH N'DRY, and
20 DOES 1 through 50, and each of them, are liable for, and PLAINTIFF AMY ESPINOZA is
21 entitled to recover, his general, special, actual, and compensatory damages, including
22 but not limited to, necessary medical and related expenses, past, present and future lost
23 earnings, loss of future earning capacity, as well as mental, emotional and physical pain
24 and suffering, in an amount presently unknown but exceeding the minimum jurisdictional
25 limit of this Court and as proven at time of trial.

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28 **SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION**

PREMISES LIABILITY

(As Against Defendants JP BIZ LLC, WASH N'DRY, and DOES 1 through 50)

24. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference each and every allegation above as though full set forth in detail herein.

25. Defendants JP BIZ LLC, WASH N'DRY, and DOES 1 through 50, and each of them, including without limitation their vendors, agents, employees, co-workers and others, owned, leased, operated, maintained, designed, installed, built, managed, inspected and/or otherwise controlled the PREMISES.

26. Defendants, and each of them, had a duty to use reasonable care to keep the PREMISES in a reasonably safe condition for use by Plaintiff and other similarly situated. Defendants, and each of them, had a duty to use reasonable care to discover any unsafe conditions on the PREMISES and to repair, replace, or give adequate warning of anything that could reasonably be expected to harm others.

27. Defendants, and each of them, breached their above-described duties and failed to use reasonable care to protect Plaintiff and others similarly situated from the foreseeable harm caused by the dangerous and unsafe conditions that existed at the PREMISES. Defendants knew or should have known that the dangerous conditions were present and/or Defendants (and/or their employees or agents) created such conditions. Defendants failed to take reasonable steps to repair, replace, or give adequate warning of the dangerous and unsafe conditions of the PREMISES, which Defendants, and each of them, created or otherwise failed to repair despite reasonable time and opportunity to take corrective action.

28. The above-described conditions created an unreasonable risk of harm which Defendants and each of them, knew about, either because the Defendants created the condition or because Defendants, in the exercise of reasonable care, should have discovered through reasonable, periodic inspections of the property.

29. Defendants' breach of their duty of care was a legal cause of, and a substantial factor in, Plaintiff's harm and damages as alleged herein.

30. As a proximate result of the conduct of the Defendants, and each of them, Plaintiff sustained losses in an amount to be determined at trial, including but not limited to, physical injuries to his body requiring medical treatment and care, physical pain and mental suffering, loss of earnings and the capacity to maintain gainful employment, among other general and special damages in an amount to be determined according to proof.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

**VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE § 815.2(a) and 820(a)
(As Against CITY OF BAKERSFIELD, COUNTY OF KERN, and DOES 51 through
100)**

31. Plaintiff hereby re-alleges and incorporates by reference each and every preceding paragraph as though fully set forth herein.

32. At the time of the aforementioned incident, CITY OF BAKERSFIELD, COUNTY OF KERN, and DOES 51 through 100, inclusive, owned, leased, operated, managed, designed, built, maintained, repaired, inspected, or otherwise controlled the PREMISES.

33. Defendants CITY OF BAKERSFIELD, COUNTY OF KERN, and DOES 51 through 100, and each of them, had a duty to exercise reasonable care in their ownership, lease, operation, management, design, maintenance, repair, inspection and control of the PREMISES in order to avoid exposure of an unreasonable risk of harm to Plaintiff and others similarly situated.

34. Defendants CITY OF BAKERSFIELD, COUNTY OF KERN, and DOES 51 through 100, inclusive, and each of them, negligently caused the dangerous condition of the PREMISES or failed to warn of or remedy the dangerous condition, as previously alleged.

35. Due to these acts and failures to act, CITY OF BAKERSFIELD, COUNTY OF KERN, and DOES 51 through 100, inclusive, are liable for the injuries to Plaintiff under California Government Code §§, including, but not limited to, 815.2(a) and 820(a).

37. Plaintiff has timely complied with all government claim presentation requirements, as set forth above.

38. As a proximate result of said acts of the Defendants, and each of them, Plaintiff was hurt and physically injured, sustaining medical bills, pain, suffering, loss of enjoyment of life and other damages, and other associated charges and damages, and will continue to sustain such damages in the future.

39. Plaintiff's general and special damages are in an amount in excess of the jurisdictional minimum in an amount according to proof at time of trial.

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

DANGEROUS CONDITION OF PUBLIC PROPERTY

(As Against Defendants CITY OF BAKERSFIELD, COUNTY OF KERN, and DOES 51 through 100)

40. PLAINTIFF hereby re-alleges and incorporates by reference each and every allegation above as though full set forth in detail herein.

41. Upon information and belief, on or about November 25, 2025, Defendants CITY OF BAKERSFIELD, COUNTY OF KERN, and DOES 51 through 100, and each of them, managed, maintained, or otherwise controlled, the sidewalk and/or ramp PREMISES located at or near 6621 Ming Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93309, and had the power to and did control said area and, prior thereto, designed, maintained and repaired said sidewalk and/or ramp or walkway on the PREMISES.

42. Defendants CITY OF BAKERSFIELD, COUNTY OF KERN, and DOES 51 through 100, and each of them, had a duty to exercise reasonable care in their management, maintenance, and control of the sidewalk and/or ramp in order to avoid exposure of an unreasonable risk of harm to PLAINTIFF.

43. On or about November 25, 2025, and prior thereto, the above-described PREMISES was in a dangerous condition that created a substantial risk of the type of

1 injury hereinafter alleged when the sidewalk and/or ramp was used with due care in a
2 manner that it was reasonably foreseeable.

3 44. Upon information and belief Defendants CITY OF BAKERSFIELD,
4 COUNTY OF KERN, and DOES 51 through 100, and each of them, breached their duty
5 of reasonable care to protect PLAINTIFF and others similarly situated from the
6 foreseeable harm caused by the dangerous and unsafe conditions that existed at the
7 PREMISES. Defendants CITY OF BAKERSFIELD, COUNTY OF KERN, and DOES 51
8 through 100, and each of them, knew or should have known that the dangerous
9 conditions were present and/or DEFENDANTS (and/or their employees or agents)
10 created such conditions. Defendants CITY OF BAKERSFIELD, COUNTY OF KERN, and
11 DOES 51 through 100, and each of them, failed to take reasonable steps to repair,
12 replace, or give adequate warning of the dangerous and unsafe conditions of the
13 PREMISES, which DEFENDANTS, and each of them, created or otherwise failed to
14 repair despite reasonable time and opportunity to take corrective action.

15 45. Defendants CITY OF BAKERSFIELD, COUNTY OF KERN, and DOES 51
16 through 100, and each of them, are liable for the injuries and damages to PLAINTIFF
17 under the Government Code Sections, including, but not limited to, 815.2(a), 815.4,
18 815.6, 820(a) and 835.

19 46. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants CITY OF BAKERSFIELD, COUNTY
20 OF KERN, and DOES 51 through 100, and each of them, are liable for, and PLAINTIFF
21 AMY ESPINOZA is entitled to recover, his general special, actual and compensatory
22 damages, including, but not limited to, his necessary medical and related expenses, past,
23 present and future lost earnings, loss of future earning capacity, as well as mental,
24 emotional and physical pain and suffering, in an amount presently unknown but
25 exceeding the minimum jurisdictional limit of this Court and as proven at time of trial.

26 **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

27 WHEREFORE, PLAINTIFF prays for judgment against the Defendants, and each
28 of them, as follows:

1. For past and future general damages, according to proof;
2. For past and future medical expenses, according to proof;
3. For past and future lost earnings and lost earning capacity, according to proof;
4. For pre- and post-judgment interest;
5. For costs of suit incurred herein;
6. For such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: September 15, 2026

JACOBY & MEYERS ATTORNEYS LLP

By: *Jose Ramirez-Gomez*
JOSE ALFONSO RAMIREZ-GOMEZ
KELLY HILL
Attorneys for Plaintiff

DEMAND FOR TRIAL BY JURY

Plaintiff hereby demands a trial by jury on all issues triable by jury.

Dated: September 15, 2026

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CASE NAME: ESPINOZA v. JP BIZ LLC, et al.		
CIVIL CASE COVER SHEET ☒ Unlimited (Amount demanded exceeds \$35,000)	☐ Limited (Amount demanded is \$35,000 or less)	Complex Case Designation ☐ Counter ☐ Joinder Filed with first appearance by defendant (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.402)
		CASE NUMBER: 26CUB03655 JUDGE: DEPT.:

Items 1–6 below must be completed (see instructions on page 2 and examples on page 3).

1. Check one box below for the case type that best describes this case:

Auto Tort ☐ Auto (22) ☐ Uninsured motorist (46) Asbestos ☐ Asbestos (04) Other PI/PD/WD (Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death) Tort ☐ Product liability (24) ☐ Medical malpractice (45) ☒ Other PI/PD/WD (23) Non-PI/PD/WD (Other) Tort ☐ Business tort/Unfair business practice (07) ☐ Civil rights (08) ☐ Defamation (13) ☐ Fraud (16) ☐ Intellectual property (19) ☐ Professional negligence (25) ☐ Other non-PI/PD/WD tort (35) Employment ☐ Wrongful termination (36) ☐ Other employment (15)	Contract ☐ Breach of contract/warranty (06) ☐ Song-Beverly Act: Motor Vehicle Lemon Law (49) ☐ Rule 3.740 collections (09) ☐ Other collections (09) ☐ Insurance coverage (18) ☐ Other contract (37) Real Property ☐ Eminent domain/Inverse condemnation (14) ☐ Wrongful eviction (33) ☐ Other real property (26) Unlawful Detainer ☐ Commercial (31) ☐ Residential (32) ☐ Drugs (38) Judicial Review ☐ Asset forfeiture (05) ☐ Petition re arbitration award (11) ☐ Writ of mandate (02) ☐ Other judicial review (39) Employment Development Department (EDD) ☐ EDD decision review (48)	Provisionally Complex Civil Litigation (Cal. Rules of Court, rules 3.400–3.404) ☐ Antitrust/Trade regulation (03) ☐ Construction defect (10) ☐ Mass tort (40) ☐ Securities litigation (28) ☐ Environmental/Toxic tort (30) ☐ Comprehensive groundwater adjudication (47) ☐ Insurance coverage claims arising from the above listed provisionally complex case types (41) Enforcement of Judgment ☐ Enforcement of judgment (20) Miscellaneous Civil Complaint ☐ RICO (27) ☐ Other complaint (not specified above) (42) Miscellaneous Civil Petition ☐ Partnership and corporate governance (21) ☐ Other petition (not specified above) (43)
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2. Is this case complex under rule 3.400 of the California Rules of Court? ☐ Yes ☒ No

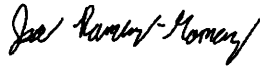
If the case is complex, mark the factors requiring exceptional judicial management:

- a. ☐ Large number of separately represented parties
 b. ☐ Extensive motion practice raising difficult or novel issues that will be time-consuming to resolve
 c. ☐ Substantial amount of documentary evidence
 d. ☐ Large number of witnesses
 e. ☐ Coordination with related actions pending in one or more courts in other counties, states, or countries, or in a federal court
 f. ☐ Substantial postjudgment judicial supervision
3. Remedies sought (*check all that apply*):
 a. ☒ monetary
 b. ☐ nonmonetary; declaratory or injunctive relief
 c. ☐ punitive
4. Number of causes of action (*specify*): 4 (1. Negligence; 2. Premises Liability; 3. Violation of CA Govt Code § 815.2(a) and 820(a); 4. Dangerous Condition of Public Property;)
5. Is this case a class action suit? ☐ Yes ☒ No
6. If there are any known related cases, file and serve a notice of related case. (*You may use form CM-015.*)

Date: September 14, 2026

Jose Alfonso Ramirez-Gomez, Esq.

Type or print name



Signature of party or attorney for party

NOTICE

- Plaintiff must file this cover sheet with the first paper filed in the action or proceeding (except small claims cases or cases filed under the Probate Code, Family Code, or Welfare and Institutions Code). (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.220.) Failure to file may result in sanctions.
- File this cover sheet in addition to any cover sheet required by local court rule.
- If this case is complex under rule 3.400 et seq. of the California Rules of Court, or a collections case under rule 3.740, you must serve a copy of this cover sheet on all other parties to the action or proceeding. (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.220.)
- Unless this is a collections case under rule 3.740 or a complex case, this cover sheet will be used for statistical purposes only.

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 pages 1 and 2. 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 on page 3 of this form. 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 of the California Rules of Court is defined as an action for recovery of money owed in a sum stated to be certain that is not more than \$35,000, 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.

SEE PAGE 3 FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY.



CASE TYPES AND EXAMPLES

The list below provides explanations and examples for the case type checkboxes listed in item 1 on this form. The lists of examples below are not meant to be exhaustive, and some case types may have causes of action not listed here.

Auto Tort

Auto (22)—Personal Injury/Property Damage/
Wrongful Death
Uninsured Motorist (*if the case involves an
uninsured motorist claim subject to
arbitration, check this item instead of Auto*)
(46)

Asbestos

Asbestos (04)
Asbestos Property Damage
Asbestos Personal Injury/Wrongful Death

**Other PI/PD/WD (Personal Injury/
Property Damage/Wrongful Death) Tort**

Product Liability (*not asbestos or
environmental/toxic tort*) (24)
Medical Malpractice (45)
Medical Malpractice—Physicians &
Surgeons
Other Professional Health Care
Malpractice
Other PI/PD/WD (23)
Premises Liability (e.g., slip and fall)
Intentional Bodily Injury/PD/WD (e.g.,
assault, vandalism)
Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress
Negligent Infliction of Emotional Distress
Other PI/PD/WD

Non-PI/PD/WD (Other) Tort

Business Tort/Unfair Business Practice (07)
Civil Rights (e.g., discrimination, false arrest)
(*not civil harassment*) (08)
Defamation (e.g., slander, libel) (13)
Fraud (*other than contract*) (16)
Intellectual Property (19)
Professional Negligence (25)
Legal Malpractice
Other Professional Malpractice
(*not medical*)
Other Non-PI/PD/WD Tort (35)

Employment

Wrongful Termination (36)
Other Employment (15)

Contract

Breach of Contract/Warranty (06)
Breach of Rental/Lease Contract (*not
unlawful detainer or wrongful eviction*)
Contract/Warranty Breach—Seller Plaintiff
(*not fraud*)
Negligent Breach of Contract/Warranty
Other Breach of Contract/Warranty
Song-Beverly Act: Motor Vehicle Lemon Law
(*check this item if the case involves a Song-
Beverly Act claim regarding a motor
vehicle*) (49)
Rule 3.740 Collections (*as defined in Cal.
Rules of Court, rule 3.740(a)*) (09)
Other Collections (e.g., money owed, open
book accounts, promissory note) (09)
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)
Other Real Property (e.g., quiet title) (26)
Writ of Possession of Real Property
Mortgage Foreclosure
Quiet Title
Other Real Property (*not unlawful
detainer*)

Unlawful Detainer

Commercial (31)
Residential (32)
Drugs (*if the case involves illegal drugs, check
this item; otherwise, choose Commercial or
Residential*) (38)

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
Notice of Appeal—Labor Commissioner
Appeals

Employment Development Department (EDD)

EDD Decision Review (*if the case involves an
Employment Development Department
decision, check this item instead of
wrongful termination or other employment*)
(48)

**Provisionally Complex Civil Litigation (Cal.
Rules of Court, rules 3.400–3.404)**

Antitrust/Trade Regulation (03)
Construction Defect (10)
Mass Tort (40)
Securities Litigation (28)
Environmental/Toxic Tort (30)
Comprehensive Groundwater Adjudication
(47)
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 (*non-domestic
relations*)
Sister-State Judgment
Administrative Agency Award
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 (*non-harassment*)
Mechanic's Lien
Other Commercial Complaint Case
(*non-tort/non-complex*)
Other Civil Complaint (*non-tort/
non-complex*)

Miscellaneous Civil Petition

Partnership and Corporate Governance (21)
Other Petition (*not specified above*) (43)
Civil Harassment
Workplace Violence
Elder/Dependent Adult Abuse
Election Contest
Petition for Name Change
Petition for Relief From Government
Claim Requirement
Other Civil Petition