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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

MARIA ORELLANA, individually, and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

vs.

PLANNED PARENTHOOD LOS ANGELES; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive,

Defendants.

Case No. **21STCV44106**

CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT AND DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

1 Plaintiff MARIA ORELLANA (“Plaintiff”), individually, and on behalf of the class defined
2 below, brings this class action complaint against Planned Parenthood Los Angeles (“PPLA”) and Does
3 1 through 100 (“Doe Defendants”) (collectively, PPLA and Doe Defendants are referred to as
4 “Defendants”) and alleges as follows:

5 INTRODUCTION

6 1. On December 1, 2021, PPLA, one of the largest providers of comprehensive,
7 reproductive health care services in Los Angeles County whose patients are especially concerned with
8 the confidentiality of their sensitive medical treatment, announced a data breach whereby
9 approximately 400,000 of its patients, including Plaintiff and putative Class members, had their
10 personally identifiable information (“PII”) and protected health information (“PHI”) accessed by
11 unauthorized parties due to Defendants’ negligent data security (the “Data Breach”). Specifically, the
12 PII and PHI accessed included Plaintiff’s and Class members’ names and one or more of the following:
13 address, insurance information, date of birth, and clinical information, such as diagnosis, procedure,
14 and/or prescription information.

15 2. In reports regarding the Data Breach, PPLA announced that unauthorized parties
16 accessed its network between October 9 and October 17, 2021, installed malicious software, and
17 exfiltrated files, which contained Plaintiff’s and Class members’ PII and PHI. During this time, the
18 unauthorized parties utilized a specific type of malware called ransomware, which is a malicious
19 computer code that hackers deploy to block an organization’s access to its own computer network to
20 extort a ransom.

21 3. Despite discovering the Data Breach on October 17, 2021 (more than one week after
22 the unauthorized parties first accessed PPLA’s systems), PPLA failed to determine that the stolen files
23 included its patients’ PII and PHI until November 4, 2021, and it did not provide notice to its patients
24 until November 30, 2021 or December 1, 2021, more than one month after the Data Breach (Exhibit
25 1).

26 4. This is not the first time that a Planned Parenthood branch has been the subject of a
27 data breach. In 2020, the Metropolitan Washington branch revealed that patient and donor information
28 — including dates of birth, medical data and Social Security and financial information — was

1 breached.

2 5. While nearly 400,000 patients sought out and/or paid for comprehensive, reproductive
3 health care services from PPLA, thieves were hard at work, stealing and using their hard-to-change
4 Social Security numbers and highly sensitive PII/PHI without the victims' knowledge. PPLA's lax
5 security practices that allowed this intrusion to occur have worsened Plaintiff's and other Class
6 members' lives by, among other injuries: (a) adding to their already heightened financial obligations
7 by placing them at an increased risk of fraudulent charges; (b) complicating diagnosis, prognosis, and
8 treatment for their medical conditions by placing them at an increased risk of having inaccurate
9 medical information in their files; and/or (c) increasing the risk of other potential personal,
10 professional, or financial harms that could be caused as a result of having their PII/PHI exposed.

11 6. Prior to the Data Breach, PPLA acknowledged in the Privacy Policy that it is
12 "committed to protecting the privacy of your identifiable health information" and that it would only
13 use Plaintiff's and Class members' PII/PHI for certain limited purposes, such as providing patients
14 with products, services, or information you request and for processing any transactions they have
15 authorized. Although the Privacy Policy states it "does not apply to information [patients] may share
16 with Planned Parenthood in connection with [the patients'] receipt of healthcare services online or via
17 in-person visits at facilities operated by Planned Parenthood Affiliates. Such information is protected
18 by state and federal law."¹

19 7. PPLA not only led its patients to believe that it would protect their PII and PHI involved
20 in the Data Breach, PPLA failed to live up to its own promises as well as its duties and obligations
21 required by law and industry standards.

22 8. Contrary to its promises to help patients improve the quality of their lives, PPLA's
23 conduct has instead been a direct cause of the ongoing harm to Plaintiffs and other Class members
24 whose suffering has been magnified by the Data Breach, and who will continue to experience harm
25 and data insecurity for the indefinite future.

26 9. Specifically, Defendants failed to maintain reasonable and/or adequate security
27 measures to protect Plaintiff's and other Class members' PII/PHI from unauthorized access and

28 ¹ Planned Parenthood Privacy Policy, <https://www.plannedparenthood.org/privacy-policy> (last accessed on Dec. 2, 2021).

1 disclosure, apparently lacking, at a minimum: (1) reasonable and adequate security measures designed
2 to prevent this attack even though Defendants knew or should have known that it was a prized target
3 for hackers; and (2) reasonable and adequate security protocols to promptly detect the unauthorized
4 intrusion into and removal of PII/PHI from its network pertaining to approximately 400,000 PPLA
5 patients.

6 10. Armed with PII/PHI, hackers can sell the PII/PHI to other thieves or misuse themselves
7 to commit a variety of crimes that harm Plaintiff and Class members. For instance, they can take out
8 loans, mortgage property, open financial accounts, and open credit cards in a victim's name; use a
9 victim's information to obtain government benefits or file fraudulent returns to obtain a tax refund;
10 obtain a driver's license or identification card in a victim's name; gain employment in another person's
11 name; give false information to police during an arrest; or engage in medical fraud that can result in
12 financial harm or a harmful misdiagnosis to Plaintiff and Class members.

13 11. As a result of Defendants' willful failure to prevent the Data Breach, Plaintiff and Class
14 members are more susceptible to identity theft, fraud, and other harm, and have experienced, will
15 continue to experience, and face an increased risk of financial harms.

16 **PARTIES**

17 12. Plaintiff MARIA ORELLANA is a resident and citizen of Long Beach, California.
18 Plaintiff was a patient of PPLA, having received services from, and being a patient of, PPLA in Los
19 Angeles County, California. Upon information and belief, Plaintiff's PII/PHI was involved in the data
20 breach, and as a result of Defendants' actions, Plaintiff has been injured, has suffered financial losses,
21 and is subject to a substantial risk for further identity theft due to Defendants' Data Breach. Plaintiff
22 believed, at the time of receiving services from PPLA, that it would maintain the privacy and security
23 of her PII/PHI. Plaintiff further believes she paid a premium to PPLA for its data security. Plaintiff
24 would not have used PPLA had she known that it would expose, or allow to be exposed, her PII/PHI,
25 making it available to unauthorized parties.

26 13. Defendant PPLA is a California corporation with its principal place of business at 400
27 W. 30th Street, Los Angeles, California 90007.

28 14. The true names and/or capacities, whether individual, corporate, partnership, associate

1 or otherwise, of the Defendants herein designated as Does 1 to 100 are unknown to Plaintiff at this
2 time who, therefore, sues said Defendants by fictitious names. Plaintiff alleges that each named
3 Defendant herein designated as Does is negligently, willfully or otherwise legally responsible for the
4 events and happenings herein referred to and proximately caused damages to Plaintiffs as herein
5 alleged. Plaintiff will seek leave of Court to amend this Complaint to insert the true names and
6 capacities of such Defendants when they have been ascertained and will further seek leave to join said
7 Defendants in these proceedings.

8 15. Plaintiff is informed and believe and thereon alleges that at all times mentioned herein,
9 Does were agents, servants, employees, partners, distributors or joint ventures of each other and that
10 in doing the acts herein alleged, were acting within the course and scope of said agency, employment,
11 partnership, or joint venture. Each and every Defendant aforesaid was acting as a principal and was
12 negligent or grossly negligent in the selection, hiring and training of each and every other Defendant
13 or ratified the conduct of every other Defendant as an agent, servant, employee or joint venture.

14 JURISDICTION AND VENUE

15 16. This Court has jurisdiction over the entire action by virtue of the fact that this is a civil
16 action wherein the matter in controversy, exclusive of interest and costs, exceeds the jurisdictional
17 minimum of the Court.

18 17. Venue is proper in this Court under Code of Civil Procedure section 395 because PPLA
19 is headquartered and conducts substantial business within Los Angeles County. In addition, a
20 substantial part of the conduct, omissions, and misrepresentations giving rise to the violations of law
21 alleged herein occurred in Los Angeles County. The acts and omissions complained of in this action
22 took place in the State of California.

23 FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

24 A. The Data Breach

25 18. Beginning around October 9, 2021, unauthorized parties accessed the PPLA network
26 that contained Plaintiff's and Class members' PII and PHI. Plaintiff and Class members are patients
27 who paid and provided their PII and PHI to PPLA in exchange for comprehensive, reproductive health
28 care services.

1 19. For more than a week, unauthorized parties maintained uninterrupted access to the
2 PPLA system containing the PII and PHI of nearly 400,000 PPLA patients. Between October 9, 2021,
3 and October 17, 2021, unauthorized parties viewed Plaintiff’s and Class members’ PII and PHI, and
4 installed malicious software and exfiltrated files which contained Plaintiff’s and Class members’ PII
5 and PHI. Specifically, the unauthorized parties utilized a specific type of malware called ransomware,
6 which is a malicious computer code that hackers deploy to block an organization’s access to its own
7 computer network to extort a ransom.

8 20. Although PPLA knew that files had been stolen on or around October 17, 2021, PPLA
9 did not learn until November 4, 2021, that the stolen files included its patients’ PII and PHI, such as
10 their name and one or more of the following: address, insurance information, date of birth, and clinical
11 information, such as diagnosis, procedure, and/or prescription information.

12 21. As a result, unauthorized parties accessed, viewed, and acquired Plaintiff’s and Class
13 members’ PII and PHI that Defendants released to them for nearly two months without Plaintiff’s and
14 Class members’ knowledge or authorization.

15 22. PPLA has made numerous promises to Plaintiff and Class members that it will maintain
16 the security and privacy of their personal information. For instance, in the Privacy Policy found on its
17 website, PPLA promises its patients that it is “committed to protecting the privacy of your identifiable
18 health information.”²

19 23. In the Privacy Policy, PPLA further details that it will only use Plaintiff’s and Class
20 members’ PII/PHI for certain limited purposes:

- 21 • providing [patients] with products, services, or information you
22 request;
- 23 • processing any transactions [patients] have authorized;
- 24 • following up on services or information we provided to [patients];
- 25 • contacting you about fundraising campaigns or advocacy efforts;
- 26 • delivering advertisements targeted to [patients’] interests;
- 27 • conducting research;

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² See *id.*

- 1 • promoting Planned Parenthood’s services;
- 2 • processing an employment, internship, or volunteer application;
- 3 • providing [patients] with information about the Online Services or
- 4 required notices;
- 5 • allowing us to improve the Online Services and the services we
- 6 provide;
- 7 • generating and analyzing statistics about [patients’] use of the
- 8 Online Services; and
- 9 • detecting, preventing, and responding to fraud, intellectual property
- infringement, violations of our Terms of Use, violations of law, or
- other misuse of the Online Services.

10 24. The Privacy Policy also provides that it will only disclose Plaintiff’s and Class
11 members’ PII and PHI, to the following:

- 12 • to our affiliates;
- 13 • to service providers who work on our behalf;
- 14 • to other organizations that work with us for the provision of co-
- 15 branded communications about Planned Parenthood and those
- 16 organizations’ products or services;
- 17 • to other organizations with whom Planned Parenthood participates
- 18 in exchanges of supporter or donor information (e.g., donor list
- rental) and the service providers that facilitate such exchanges;
- 19 • as required by law;
- 20 • when required to protect our rights or [patients’] safety or the safety
- 21 of others, or to detect, prevent, or respond to misuse of the Online
- 22 Services; and
- 23 • to the extent reasonably necessary to proceed with the negotiation
- 24 or completion of a merger, acquisition, or sale of all or a portion of
- our assets.

25 25. The Privacy Policy on the PPLA webpage does state that it “does not apply to
26 information you may share with Planned Parenthood in connection with your receipt of healthcare
27 services online or via in-person visits at facilities operated by Planned Parenthood Affiliates.” In the
28 Privacy Policy, PPLA also acknowledges that Plaintiff and Class members’ PII and PHI “is protected

1 by state and federal law.”

2 26. PPLA also has a HIPAA Privacy Policy that describes how health information about
3 its patients may be used or disclosed. In that HIPAA Privacy Policy, PPLA provides the following
4 pledge regarding its patients’ health information:

5 We understand that health information about you and your health care
6 is personal. We are committed to protecting health information about
7 you. We will create a record of the care and services you receive from
8 us. We do so to provide you with quality care and to comply with any
9 legal or regulatory requirements.³

10 27. The HIPAA Privacy Policy further acknowledges the following:

11 Our pledge regarding your health information is backed-up by federal
12 and state law. The privacy and security provisions of the federal Health
13 Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (“HIPAA”) require us to:

- 14 • Make sure that health information that identifies you is kept
15 private;
- 16 • Make available this notice of our legal duties and privacy
17 practices with respect to health information about you; and
- 18 • Follow the terms of the notice that is currently in effect.

19 28. The HIPAA Privacy Policy also provides that PPLA will only use and disclose health
20 information about its patients for certain limited purposes, such as for treatment, payment, health care
21 operations, appointment reminders, and individuals involved in its patients’ care or payment for the
22 care.

23 29. The HIPAA Privacy Policy also explains the following additional protections that
24 apply according to California law:

25 In California, there are certain circumstances in which minors are given
26 special protections from disclosure of their medical information. If you
27 are a minor, you must provide us with written authorization to disclose
28 information in certain circumstances. For example, we may not provide
your medical information to your parents or guardians without your
signed written authorization in most circumstances in which the care
involves pregnancy, contraception, abortion, contagious or sexually

³ ³ Planned Parenthood Los Angeles HIPAA Privacy Policy, <https://www.plannedparenthood.org/planned-parenthood-los-angeles/hipaa> (last accessed on Dec. 2, 2021).

transmitted diseases, AIDS/HIV, mental health care, and drug and alcohol abuse treatment.

30. The HIPAA Privacy Policy also states that the following uses and disclosures of health information by PPLA will be made only with its patient's written permission:

- Uses and disclosures of protected health information for marketing purposes;
- Uses and disclosures that constitute the sale of your protected health information;
- Other uses and disclosures of health information not covered by this Notice or the laws that apply to us.

31. The HIPAA Privacy Policy also acknowledges that PPLA is "required by federal and state law to notify you following a breach with respect to your unsecured protected health information." Although PPLA provided Plaintiff and Class members with notice of the Data Breach, it failed to do so in a timely manner in violation of California law.

32. By failing to protect Plaintiff's and Class members' PII and PHI, and by allowing the Data Breach to occur, PPLA broke these privacy promises.

B. Personally Identifiable Information/Protected Health Information

33. PII/PHI is of great value to hackers and cyber criminals and the data compromised in the Data Breach can be used in a variety of unlawful manners.

34. PII/PHI is information that can be used to distinguish, identify, or trace an individual's identity, such as their name, Social Security number, and biometric records. This can be accomplished alone, or in combination with other personal or identifying information that is connected, or linked to an individual, such as their birthdate, birthplace, and mother's maiden name.

35. PII/PHI does not include only data that can be used to directly identify or contact an individual (e.g., name, e-mail address), or personal data that is especially sensitive (e.g., Social Security number, bank account number, payment card numbers).

36. PHI—like the type disclosed in the breach—is particularly valuable for cybercriminals. According to SecureWorks (a division of Dell Inc.), "[i]t's a well known truism within much of the healthcare data security community that an individual healthcare record is worth more on the black market (\$50, on average) than a U.S.-based credit card and personal identity with social security

1 number combined.” The reason is that thieves “[c]an use a healthcare record to submit false medical
2 claims (and thus obtain free medical care), purchase prescription medication, or resell the record on
3 the black market.”

4 37. Similarly, the FBI Cyber Division, in an April 8, 2014 Private Industry Notification,
5 advised:

6 Cyber criminals are selling [medical] information on the black market
7 at a rate of \$50 for each partial EHR, compared to \$1 for a stolen social
8 security number or credit card number. EHR can then be used to file
9 fraudulent insurance claims, obtain prescription medication, and
advance identity theft. EHR theft is also more difficult to detect, taking
almost twice as long as normal identity theft.

10 38. Given the nature of the Data Breach, it is foreseeable that the compromised PII/PHI
11 will be used to access Plaintiff’s and the Class members’ financial accounts, thereby providing
12 access to additional PII/PHI or personal and sensitive information. Therefore, the compromised
13 PII/PHI in the Data Breach is of great value to hackers and thieves and can be used in a variety of
14 ways. Information about, or related to, an individual for which there is a possibility of logical
15 association with other information is of great value to hackers and thieves. Indeed, “there is
16 significant evidence demonstrating that technological advances and the ability to combine disparate
17 pieces of data can lead to identification of a consumer, computer or device even if the individual
18 pieces of data do not constitute PII.”⁴ For example, different PII/PHI elements from various sources
19 may be able to be linked in order to identify an individual, or access additional information about or
20 relating to the individual.

21 39. Further, as technology advances, computer programs may scan the Internet with a
22 wider scope to create a mosaic of information that may be used to link information to an individual
23 in ways that were not previously possible. This is known as the “mosaic effect.”⁵

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26 ⁴ Fed. Trade Comm’n, Protecting Consumer Privacy in an Era of Rapid Change: A Proposed Framework for Businesses
and Policymakers, Preliminary FTC Staff Report 35-38 (Dec. 2010)
27 <[https://www.ftc.gov/sites/default/files/documents/reports/federal-trade-commission-bureau-consumer-protection-
preliminary-ftc-staff-report-protecting-consumer/101201privacyreport.pdf](https://www.ftc.gov/sites/default/files/documents/reports/federal-trade-commission-bureau-consumer-protection-preliminary-ftc-staff-report-protecting-consumer/101201privacyreport.pdf)> [as of June 24, 2017].

28 ⁵ Fed. Chief Information Officers Council, Recommendations for Standardized Implementation of Digital Privacy Controls
(Dec. 2012) pp. 7-8.

1 40. Names and dates of birth, combined with contact information like telephone numbers
2 and email addresses, are very valuable to hackers and identity thieves as it allows them to access
3 users' other accounts particularly when they have easily-decrypted passwords and security
4 questions.

5 41. The PII/PHI that Defendants exposed is of great value to hackers and cyber criminals
6 and the data compromised in the Data Breach can be used in a variety of unlawful manners, including
7 opening new credit and financial accounts in victims' names, obtaining protected health information,
8 and/or committing medical fraud.

9 42. Unfortunately for Plaintiff and Class members, a person whose PII/PHI has been
10 compromised may not fully experience the effects of the breach for years to come:

11 [L]aw enforcement officials told us that in some cases, stolen data
12 may be held for up to a year or more before being used to commit
13 identity theft. Further, once stolen data have been sold or posted on
14 the Web, fraudulent use of that information may continue for years.
As a result, studies that attempt to measure the harm resulting from
data breaches cannot necessarily rule out all future harm.⁶

15 43. Accordingly, Plaintiff and Class members will bear a heightened risk of injury for years
16 to come. Identity theft is one such risk and occurs when an individuals' PII/PHI is used without his
17 or her permission to commit fraud or other crimes.⁷

18 44. According to the Federal Trade Commission, "the range of privacy-related harms is
19 more expansive than economic or physical harm or unwarranted intrusions and that any privacy
20 framework should recognize additional harms that might arise from unanticipated uses of data."⁸

21 **C. HIPAA Provides Guidelines on How Healthcare Providers Must Secure Patients'
22 Protected Health Information**

23 45. As a healthcare provider, Defendants are subject to the HIPAA Privacy Rule
24 ("Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information"), 45 C.F.R. Part 160 and Part

25 ⁶ G.A.O., Personal Information: Data Breaches are Frequent, but Evidence of Resulting Identity Theft is Limited;
26 However, the Full Extent is Unknown (June 2007) <<http://www.gao.gov/assets/270/262904.html>> [as of June 24, 2017].

27 ⁷ Fed. Trade Comm'n, Taking Charge: What To Do If Your Identity Is Stolen (April 2013)
<<https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/pdf-0014-identity-theft.pdf>> [as of June 24, 2017].

28 ⁸ Fed. Trade Comm'n, Protecting Consumer Privacy in an Era of Rapid Change (March 2012)
<<https://www.ftc.gov/sites/default/files/documents/reports/federal-trade-commission-report-protecting-consumer-privacy-era-rapid-change-recommendations/120326privacyreport.pdf>> [as of June 24, 2017].

1 164, Subparts A and E, and the HIPAA Security Rule (“Security Standards for the Protection of
2 Electronic Protected Health Information”), 45 C.F.R. Part 160 and Part 164, Subparts A and C
3 (collectively, “Privacy and Security Rules”).

4 46. The Privacy and Security Rules establish a national set of standards for the protection
5 of “individually identifiable health information” that is held or transmitted by a health care provider,
6 which HIPAA refers to as “protected health information.”

7 47. Pursuant to HIPAA, Defendants must maintain reasonable and appropriate
8 administrative, technical, and physical safeguards for protecting PHI.

9 48. HIPAA imposes general security standards that Defendants must follow, including:

10 a. Ensuring the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of all electronic
11 protected health information the covered entity or business associate creates, receives, maintains, or
12 transmits, 45 C.F.R. § 164.306(a);

13 b. Protecting against any reasonably anticipated threats or hazards to the security
14 or integrity of such information, 45 C.F.R. § 164.306(a);

15 c. Protecting against any reasonably anticipated uses or disclosures of such
16 information that are not permitted or required under HIPAA, 45 C.F.R. § 164.306(a); and

17 d. Reviewing and modifying the security measures implemented under HIPAA as
18 needed to continue provision of reasonable and appropriate protection of electronic protected health
19 information, 45 C.F.R. § 164.306(e).

20 49. From a technical standpoint, HIPAA requires Defendants to, among other things:

21 a. Implement technical policies and procedures for electronic information systems
22 that maintain electronic PHI to allow access only to those persons or software programs that have been
23 granted access rights, 45 C.F.R. § 164.312(a);

24 b. Implement procedures to verify that a person or entity seeking access to
25 electronic PHI is the one claimed, 45 C.F.R. § 164.312(d); and

26 c. Implement technical security measures to guard against unauthorized access to
27 electronic PHI that is being transmitted over an electronic communications network, 45 C.F.R. §
28 164.312(e).

1 50. The HIPAA Security Rule requires Defendants to implement reasonable and
2 appropriate policies and procedures to comply with the standards, implementation specifications, or
3 other requirements of the HIPAA Security Rule. 45 CFR 164.316(a). These policies and procedures
4 must be maintained in written form. 45 CFR 164.316(b)(1)(i).

5 51. The HIPAA Security Rule requires covered entities to maintain a written record
6 of any action, activity, or assessment required to be documented by the HIPAA Security Rule. 45
7 CFR 164.316(b)(1)(ii).

8 52. The HIPAA Security Rule requires covered entities to review documentation
9 periodically and update it as needed, in response to environmental or operational changes affecting the
10 security of the electronic protected health information. 45 CFR 164.316(b)(1)(iii).

11 53. Under the HIPAA Privacy Rule, Defendants may not use or disclose PHI or
12 confidential medical information except as expressly permitted. 45 CFR 164.502(a).

13 **D. The HITECH Act Provides Additional Guidelines on How Healthcare Providers**
14 **Must Secure Patients' Protected Health Information**

15 54. The HITECH Act, enacted as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of
16 2009 (ARRA) (Pub.L. 111-5), promotes the adoption and meaningful use of health information
17 technology. Subtitle D of the HITECH Act addresses the privacy and security concerns associated
18 with the electronic transmission of health information.

19 55. The HITECH Act provides lucrative financial incentives, and the avoidance of
20 penalties, to healthcare entities such as Defendants for demonstrating the meaningful use,
21 interoperability, and security of electronic health information. Achieving meaningful use requires
22 compliance with objectives, measures and certification and standards criteria. The Electronic Health
23 Records ("EHR") Incentive Program requires compliance with the objective to protect electronic
24 health information. A Core Measure to determine compliance with the objective is conducting or
25 reviewing a security risk analysis in accordance with the requirements under 45 CFR 164.308(a)(1)
26 (the HIPAA Security Rule) and implementing security updates as necessary and correcting identified
27 security deficiencies as part of its risk management process.

28 56. Upon information and belief, Defendants implanted a rushed and substandard EHR

1 infrastructure in order to, in part, obtain millions of dollars in lucrative financial incentives, as well as
2 the avoidance of penalties, despite knowing they were ill-equipped and unprepared to safely store and
3 meaningfully use electronic health records and electronic health information in a secure manner
4 consistent with regulations and industry standards.

5 **E. Defendants are Subject To Other Federal and State Laws and Regulations That**
6 **Provide Guidelines on the Practices It Should Have Implemented To Secure**
7 **Patients' Protected Health Information**

8 57. Section 5(a) of the Federal Trade Commission Act (“FTCA”), 15 U.S.C. § 45, prevents
9 Defendants from using “unfair or deceptive acts or practices in or affecting commerce.” The FTC has
10 found that inadequate data privacy and cybersecurity practices can constitute unfair or deceptive
11 practices that violate § 5.

12 58. The state of California generally prohibits healthcare providers from disclosing a
13 patient’s confidential medical information without prior authorization. The California Confidentiality
14 of Medical Information Act (“CMIA”) (Cal. Civ. Code § 56.10(a)) states that “a provider of health
15 care, health care service plan, or contractor shall not disclose medical information regarding a patient
16 of the provider of health care or enrollee or subscriber of a health care service plan without first
17 obtaining an authorization except as provided in subdivision (b) or (c).” *See also* Cal. Civ. Code §§
18 1798.80, et seq.

19 59. In addition to their obligations under federal and state laws and regulations, Defendants
20 owed a common law duty to Plaintiffs and Class members to protect PII/PHI entrusted to it, including
21 to exercise reasonable care in obtaining, retaining, securing, safeguarding, deleting, and protecting the
22 PII/PHI in its possession from being compromised, lost, stolen, accessed, and misused by unauthorized
23 parties.

24 60. Defendants further owed and breached its duty to Plaintiffs and the Class to implement
25 processes and specifications that would detect a breach of its security systems in a timely manner and
26 to timely act upon warnings and alerts, including those generated by its own security systems (e.g. 45
27 CFR §§ 164.308(a), 164.306(d), 164.312, The Office for Civil Rights July 14, 2010 Guidance on Risk
28 Analysis Requirements under the HIPAA Security Rule, etc.).

1 61. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' reckless and negligent actions, inaction,
2 and omissions, the resulting Data Breach, the unauthorized release and disclosure of Plaintiff's and
3 Class members' PII/PHI, and Defendants' failure to properly and timely notify Plaintiff and Class
4 members, Plaintiff and Class members are more susceptible to identity theft and have experienced,
5 will continue to experience and will face an increased risk of experiencing the following injuries, *inter*
6 *alia*:

7 a. money and time expended to prevent, detect, contest, and repair identity theft,
8 fraud, and/or other unauthorized uses of personal information;

9 b. money and time lost as a result of fraudulent access to and use of their financial
10 accounts;

11 c. loss of use of and access to their financial accounts and/or credit;

12 d. money and time expended to avail themselves of assets and/or credit frozen or
13 flagged due to misuse;

14 e. impairment of their credit scores, ability to borrow, and/or ability to obtain
15 credit;

16 f. lowered credit scores resulting from credit inquiries following fraudulent
17 activities;

18 g. money, including fees charged in some states, and time spent placing fraud
19 alerts and security freezes on their credit records;

20 h. costs and lost time obtaining credit reports in order to monitor their credit
21 records;

22 i. anticipated future costs from the purchase of credit monitoring and/or identity
23 theft protection services;

24 j. costs and lost time from dealing with administrative consequences of the Data
25 Breach, including by identifying, disputing, and seeking reimbursement for fraudulent activity,
26 canceling compromised financial accounts and associated payment cards, and investigating options
27 for credit monitoring and identity theft protection services;

28 k. money and time expended to ameliorate the consequences of the filing of

1 fraudulent tax returns;

2 l. lost opportunity costs and loss of productivity from efforts to mitigate and
3 address the adverse effects of the Data Breach including, but not limited to, efforts to research how to
4 prevent, detect, contest, and recover from misuse of their personal information;

5 m. loss of the opportunity to control how their personal information is used; and

6 n. continuing risks to their personal information, which remains subject to further
7 harmful exposure and theft as long as Defendants fail to undertake appropriate, legally required steps
8 to protect the personal information in its possession.

9 62. The risks associated with identity theft are serious. “While some identity theft victims
10 can resolve their problems quickly, others spend hundreds of dollars and many days repairing damage
11 to their good name and credit record. Some consumers victimized by identity theft may lose out on
12 job opportunities, or denied loans for education, housing or cars because of negative information on
13 their credit reports. In rare cases, they may even be arrested for crimes they did not commit.”⁹

14 63. Further, criminals often trade stolen PII/PHI on the “cyber black-market” for years
15 following a breach. Cybercriminals can post stolen PII/PHI on the internet, thereby making such
16 information publicly available.

17 **CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS**

18 64. Plaintiff brings this action on behalf of her minor child E.N., and on behalf of all
19 persons similarly situated, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure § 382. Plaintiff seeks to represent the
20 following class (“Class”):

21 All individuals who are California citizens whose PII and /or PHI was
22 compromised as a result of the Data Breach.

23 65. Upon information and belief, the scope of this class definition, including its temporal
24 scope, may be further refined after discovery of Defendants’ and /or third-party records.

25 66. Excluded from the Class are governmental entities, Defendants, any entity in which
26 Defendants have a controlling interest, and Defendants’ officers, directors, affiliates, legal
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28 ⁹ True Identity Protection: Identity Theft Overview, ID Watchdog <<http://www.idwatchdog.com/tikia/pdfs/Identity-Theft-Overview.pdf>> [as of Sept. 23, 2016].

1 representatives, employees, co-conspirators, successors, subsidiaries, and assigns. Also excluded
2 from the Class is any judge, justice, or judicial officer presiding over this matter and the members of
3 their immediate families and judicial staff.

4 67. Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the Class. Plaintiff is a member of a well-
5 defined Class of similarly situated persons and the members of the Class were similarly affected by
6 the conduct alleged of Defendants and incurred similar damage, as alleged in this complaint, as a result
7 of the conduct of Defendants. Members of the Class are ascertainable from Plaintiff's description of
8 the Class and /or Defendants' records and /or records of third parties accessible through discovery.

9 68. The representative Plaintiff will fairly and adequately represent the members of the
10 Class and have no interests which are antagonistic to the claims of the Class. Plaintiff's interests in
11 this action are antagonistic to the interests of Defendants, and Plaintiff will vigorously pursue the
12 claims of the Class.

13 69. The representative Plaintiff has retained counsel who are competent and experienced
14 in consumer, data breach, and invasion of privacy class action litigation, and have successfully
15 represented plaintiffs in complex class actions. Plaintiff's counsel currently represent other plaintiffs
16 in similar complex class action litigation involving wrongful disclosures and access of private
17 information.

18 70. Common questions of law and fact impact the rights of each member of the Class and
19 a common remedy by way of permissible damages and /or injunctive relief is sought for the Class.

20 71. There are substantial questions of law and fact common to all members of the Class
21 which will predominate over any individual issues. These common questions of law and fact include,
22 without limitation:

- 23 a. Whether Defendants disclosed the PII and PHI of Plaintiff and the Class,
24 without authorization;
- 25 b. Whether such conduct constitutes a violation of California Civil Code
26 section 56, *et seq.*;
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- c. Whether Defendants timely notified the patients whose information was wrongly disclosed;
- d. Whether Defendants notice was deficient;
- e. Whether Defendants' conduct was negligent;
- f. Whether Defendants knew or should have known that its data security systems, policies, procedures, and practices were vulnerable;
- g. Whether Plaintiff and Class members suffered legally cognizable damages as a result of Defendants' conduct, including increased risk of identity theft and loss of value of PII and PHI;
- h. Whether Defendants violated California state consumer protection statutes; and
- i. Whether Defendants were unjustly enriched by their conduct.
- j. Whether Plaintiff and Class members are entitled to equitable relief including injunctive relief.

72. A class action provides a fair and efficient method, if not the only method, for adjudicating this controversy. The substantive claims of the representative Plaintiff and the Class are nearly identical and will require evidentiary proof of the same kind and application of the same law. There is no plain, speedy or adequate remedy other than by maintenance of this class action.

73. A class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this controversy because class members number in the tens of thousands and individual joinder is impracticable. The expense and burden of individual litigation would make it impracticable or impossible for proposed class members to prosecute their claims individually. Trial of Plaintiff and the Class members' claims are manageable. Unless the Class is certified, Defendants will remain free to continue to engage in the wrongful conduct alleged herein without consequence.

74. The persons in the Class are so numerous that the joinder of all such persons individually in this case is impracticable, and the disposition of their claims in this case and as part of a single class action lawsuit, rather than hundreds or thousands of individual lawsuits, will benefit the

1 parties and greatly reduce the aggregate judicial resources that would be spent if this matter were
2 handled as hundreds or thousands of separate lawsuits.

3 75. Plaintiff knows of no difficulty that will be encountered in the management of this
4 litigation, which would preclude its maintenance of a class action.

5 **FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION**

6 **(Violations of California Confidentiality of Med. Information Act, Cal. Civ. Code § 56, *et seq.*)**

7 76. Plaintiff and the Class re-alleges and incorporate by reference the allegations contained
8 in the preceding paragraphs of this complaint, as though fully set forth herein.

9 77. California’s Confidentiality of Medical Information Act (“CMIA”) requires a
10 healthcare provider “who creates, maintains, preserves, stores, abandons, destroys, or disposes of
11 medical information [to] do so in a manner that preserves the confidentiality of the information
12 contained therein.” Cal. Civ. Code § 56.101. “Every provider of health care, health care service plan,
13 pharmaceutical company, or contractor who negligently creates, maintains, preserves, stores,
14 abandons, destroys, or disposes of medical information shall be subject to the remedies and penalties
15 provided under subdivisions (b) and (c) of Section 56.36.” *Id.*

16 78. The CMIA further requires that “[a]n electronic health record system or electronic
17 medical record system . . . [p]rotect and preserve the integrity of electronic medical information.” Cal.
18 Civ. Code § 56.101(b)(1)(A).

19 79. PPLA is a healthcare provider who is subject to the requirements and mandates of the
20 California Confidentiality of Medical Information Act, Cal. Civ. Code § 56, *et seq.* (“CMIA”).

21 80. Plaintiff and Class members are “patient[s],” “whether or not still living, who received
22 health care services from a provider of health care and to whom medical information pertains”
23 pursuant to § 56.05(k) of the CMIA.

24 81. The PHI of Plaintiff and Class members compromised in the Data Breach constitutes
25 “medical information” maintained in electronic form pursuant to § 56.05(j) of the CMIA.

26 82. Defendants violated § 56.36(b) of the CMIA by negligently maintaining, preserving,
27 storing and releasing the PHI of Plaintiff and Class members, and failing to protect and preserve the
28 integrity of the PHI of Plaintiff and Class members.

1 83. Plaintiff and Class members did not authorize Defendants' disclosure and release of
2 their PHI that occurred in the Data Breach.

3 84. As a result of the Data Breach, the PHI of Plaintiff and Class members were
4 compromised when it was acquired and accessed by unauthorized parties.

5 85. Defendants violated the CMIA by negligently (1) failing to implement reasonable
6 administrative, physical and technical safeguards to protect, secure and prevent the unauthorized
7 access to, and acquisition of, Plaintiff's and Class members' PHI; (2) failing to implement reasonable
8 data security measures, such as intrusion detection processes that detect data breaches in a timely
9 manner, to protect and secure Plaintiff's and Class members' PHI; (3) failing to use reasonable
10 authentication procedures to track PHI in case of a security breach; and (4) allowing undetected and
11 unauthorized access to servers, networks and systems where Plaintiff's and Class members' PHI was
12 kept, all in violation of the CMIA.

13 86. Defendants' failure to implement adequate data security measures to protect the PHI of
14 Plaintiff and Class members was a substantial factor in allowing unauthorized parties to access
15 Defendants' computer systems and acquire the PHI of Plaintiff and Class members.

16 87. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' violation of the CMIA, Defendants
17 allowed the PHI of Plaintiff and Class members to (a) escape and spread from its normal place of
18 storage through unauthorized disclosure or release; and (b) be accessed and acquired by unauthorized
19 parties in order to, on information and belief, view, mine, exploit, use, and /or profit from their PHI,
20 thereby breaching the confidentiality of their PHI. Plaintiff and Class members have accordingly
21 sustained and will continue to sustain actual damages as set forth above.

22 88. Plaintiff, individually and on behalf of Class members, seeks actual and statutory
23 damages pursuant to § 56.36(b)(1) of the CMIA.

24 89. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' violations of the CMIA, Plaintiff and
25 Class members have been injured within the meaning of the CMIA and are entitled to damages of
26 \$1,000 each pursuant to Cal. Civ. Code § 56.36(b)(1).

27 90. Plaintiff also seeks reasonable attorneys' fees and costs under applicable law including
28 Civil Code § 56.35 and California Code of Civil Procedure § 1021.5.

1 **SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION**

2 **(Negligence)**

3 91. Plaintiff and the Class re-allege and incorporate by reference the allegations contained
4 in the preceding paragraphs of this complaint, as though fully set forth herein.

5 92. Plaintiff and Class members were required to provide Defendants with their PII and
6 PHI. Defendants collected and stored this information including their name and one or more of the
7 following: address, insurance information, date of birth, and clinical information, such as diagnosis,
8 procedure, and/or prescription information.

9 93. Defendants had a duty to Plaintiff and Class members to safeguard and protect their PII
10 and PHI.

11 94. Defendants assumed a duty of care to use reasonable means to secure and safeguard
12 this PII and PHI, to prevent its disclosure, to guard it from theft, and to detect any attempted or actual
13 breach of its systems.

14 95. Defendants have full knowledge about the sensitivity of Plaintiff and Class members’
15 PII and PHI, as well as the type of harm that would occur if such PII and PHI were wrongfully
16 disclosed.

17 96. Defendants have a duty to use ordinary care in activities from which harm might be
18 reasonably anticipated in connection with user PII and PHI data.

19 97. Defendants breached their duty of care by failing to secure and safeguard the PII and
20 PHI of Plaintiff and Class members. Defendants negligently stored and /or maintained its data security
21 systems, and published that information on the Internet.

22 98. Further, Defendants by and through their above negligent actions and /or inactions,
23 breached their duties to Plaintiff and Class members by failing to design, adopt, implement, control,
24 manage, monitor and audit its processes, controls, policies, procedures and protocols for complying
25 with the applicable laws and safeguarding and protecting Plaintiff’s and Class members’ PII and PHI
26 within their possession, custody and control.

27 99. Defendants further breached their duty to Plaintiff and Class members by failing to
28 comply with the California Confidentiality of Medical Information Act, Consumers Legal Remedies

1 Act, the Customer Record’s Act, and other state laws designed to protect Plaintiff and Class members
2 from the type of harm they here have suffered. Such a breach by Defendants constitutes negligence
3 per se.

4 100. Plaintiff and the other Class members have suffered harm as a result of Defendants’
5 negligence. These victims’ loss of control over the compromised PII subjects each of them to a greatly
6 enhanced risk of identity theft, fraud, and myriad other types of fraud and theft stemming from either
7 use of the compromised information, or access to their user accounts.

8 101. It was reasonably foreseeable – in that Defendants knew or should have known – that
9 its failure to exercise reasonable care in safeguarding and protecting Plaintiff’s and Class members’
10 PII and PHI would result in its release and disclosure to unauthorized third parties who, in turn
11 wrongfully used such PII and PHI, or disseminated it to other fraudsters for their wrongful use and for
12 no lawful purpose.

13 102. But for Defendants’ negligent and wrongful breach of their responsibilities and duties
14 owed to Plaintiff and Class members, their PII and PHI would not have been compromised.

15 103. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants’ above-described wrongful actions,
16 inactions, and omissions, the resulting Data Breach, and the unauthorized release and disclosure of
17 Plaintiff’s and Class members’ PII and PHI, they have incurred (and will continue to incur) the above-
18 referenced economic damages, and other actual injury and harm for which they are entitled to
19 compensation. Defendants’ wrongful actions, inactions, and omissions constituted (and continue to
20 constitute) common law negligence/negligent misrepresentation.

21 104. Plaintiff and Class members are entitled to injunctive relief as well as actual and
22 punitive damages.

23 **THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION**

24 **(Violation of California Consumers Legal Remedies Act, California Civil Code § 1750, et seq.)**

25 105. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference all preceding factual allegations as
26 though fully set forth herein.

27 106. This cause of action is brought pursuant to the California Consumers Legal Remedies
28 Act (the “CLRA”), California Civil Code § 1750, et seq. This cause of action does not seek monetary

1 damages at this time but is limited solely to injunctive relief. Plaintiff will later amend this Complaint
2 to seek damages in accordance with the CLRA after providing Defendants with notice required by
3 California Civil Code § 1782.

4 107. Plaintiff and Class Members are “consumers,” as the term is defined by California Civil
5 Code § 1761(d).

6 108. Plaintiff, Class members, and Defendants have engaged in “transactions,” as that term
7 is defined by California Civil Code § 1761(e).

8 109. The conduct alleged in this Complaint constitutes unfair methods of competition and
9 unfair and deceptive acts and practices for the purpose of the CLRA, and the conduct was undertaken
10 by Defendants was likely to deceive consumers.

11 110. Cal. Civ. Code § 1770(a)(5) prohibits one who is involved in a transaction from
12 “[r]epresenting that goods or services have sponsorship, approval, characteristics, ingredients, uses,
13 benefits, or quantities which they do not have.”

14 111. Defendants violated this provision by representing that they took appropriate measures
15 to protect Plaintiff’s and the Class members’ PII and PHI. Additionally, Defendants improperly
16 handled, stored, or protected either unencrypted or partially encrypted data.

17 112. As a result, Plaintiff and Class members were induced to enter into a relationship with
18 Defendants and provide their PII and PHI.

19 113. As a result of engaging in such conduct, Defendants have violated Civil Code § 1770.

20 114. Pursuant to Civil Code § 1780(a)(2) and (a)(5), Plaintiff seeks an order of this Court
21 that includes, but is not limited to, an order enjoining Defendants from continuing to engage in
22 unlawful, unfair, or fraudulent business practices or any other act prohibited by law.

23 115. Plaintiff and Class members suffered injuries caused by Defendants’
24 misrepresentations, because they provided their PII and PHI believing that Defendants would
25 adequately protect this information.

26 116. Plaintiff and Class members may be irreparably harmed and /or denied an effective and
27 complete remedy if such an order is not granted.

28 117. The unfair and deceptive acts and practices of Defendants, as described above, present

1 a serious threat to Plaintiff and members of the Class.

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4 **FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

5 **(Violation of Unfair Competition Law, California Business and Professional Code Section**
6 **17200, et seq.)**

7 118. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference all preceding factual allegations as
8 though fully set forth herein.

9 119. Plaintiff brings this claim on behalf of herself and the Class.

10 120. The California Unfair Competition Law, Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code §17200, et seq.
11 (“UCL”), prohibits any “unlawful,” “fraudulent” or “unfair” business act or practice and any false or
12 misleading advertising, as defined by the UCL and relevant case law.

13 121. By reason of Defendants’ above-described wrongful actions, inactions, and omissions,
14 the resulting Data Breach, and the unauthorized disclosure of Plaintiff and Class members’ PII and
15 PHI, Defendants engaged in unlawful, unfair and fraudulent practices within the meaning of the UCL.

16 122. Defendants’ business practices as alleged herein are unfair because they offend
17 established public policy and are immoral, unethical, oppressive, unscrupulous and substantially
18 injurious to consumers, in that the private and confidential PII and PHI of consumers has been
19 compromised for all to see, use, or otherwise exploit.

20 123. Defendants’ practices were unlawful and in violation of Civil Code § 1798 et seq.
21 because Defendants failed to take reasonable measures to protect Plaintiff’s and the Class members’
22 PII and PHI.

23 124. Defendants’ business practices as alleged herein are fraudulent because they are likely
24 to deceive consumers into believing that the PII and PHI they provide to Defendants will remain
25 private and secure, when in fact it was not private and secure.

26 125. Plaintiff and the Class members suffered (and continue to suffer) injury in fact and lost
27 money or property as a direct and proximate result of Defendants’ above-described wrongful actions,
28 inactions, and omissions including, inter alia, the unauthorized release and disclosure of their PII and

1 PHI.

2 126. Defendants' above-described wrongful actions, inactions, and omissions, the resulting
3 Data Breach, and the unauthorized release and disclosure of Plaintiff's and Class members' PII and
4 PHI also constitute "unfair" business acts and practices within the meaning of Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code
5 § 17200 et seq., in that Defendants' conduct was substantially injurious to Plaintiff and Class members,
6 offensive to public policy, immoral, unethical, oppressive and unscrupulous; the gravity of
7 Defendants' conduct outweighs any alleged benefits attributable to such conduct.

8 127. But for Defendants' misrepresentations and omissions, Plaintiff and Class members
9 would not have provided their PII and PHI to Defendants or would have insisted that their PII and PHI
10 be more securely protected.

11 128. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' above-described wrongful actions,
12 inactions, and omissions, the resulting Data Breach, and the unauthorized release and disclosure of
13 Plaintiff and Class members' PII and PHI, they have been injured: (1) the loss of the opportunity to
14 control how their PII and PHI is used; (2) the diminution in the value and /or use of their PII and PHI
15 entrusted to Defendants; (3) the compromise, publication, and /or theft of their PII and PHI ; and (4)
16 costs associated with monitoring their PII and PHI, amongst other things.

17 129. Plaintiff takes upon herself enforcement of the laws violated by Defendants in
18 connection with the reckless and negligent disclosure of PII and PHI. There is a financial burden
19 incurred in pursuing this action and it would be against the interests of justice to penalize Plaintiff by
20 forcing him to pay attorneys' fees and costs from the recovery in this action. Therefore, an award of
21 attorneys' fees and costs is appropriate under California Code of Civil Procedure § 1021.5.

22 **FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

23 **(Violation of California Customer Records Act, California Civil Code § 1798.80 et seq.)**

24 130. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference all preceding factual allegations as
25 though fully set forth herein.

26 131. "[T]o ensure that personal information about California residents is protected," Civil
27 Code section 1798.81.5 requires that any business that "owns, licenses, or maintains personal
28 information about a California resident shall implement and maintain reasonable security procedures

1 and practices appropriate to the nature of the information, to protect the personal information from
2 unauthorized access, destruction, use, modification, or disclosure.”

3 132. Defendants own, maintain, and license personal information, within the meaning of
4 section 1798.81.5, about Plaintiff and the Class.

5 133. Defendants violated Civil Code section 1798.81.5 by failing to implement reasonable
6 measures to protect Plaintiff and Class members’ personal information.

7 134. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants’ violations of section 1798.81.5 of the
8 California Civil Code, the Data Breach described above occurred.

9 135. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants’ violations of section 1798.81.5 of the
10 California Civil Code, Plaintiff and the Class members suffered the damages described above
11 including, but not limited to, time and expenses related to monitoring their financial accounts for
12 fraudulent activity, an increased, imminent risk of fraud and identity theft, and loss of value of their
13 personally identifying information.

14 136. Plaintiff and the Class members seek relief under section 1798.84 of the California
15 Civil Code including, but not limited to, actual damages, to be proven at trial, and injunctive relief.

16 **SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

17 **(Breach of Contract)**

18 137. Plaintiff re-alleges the paragraphs above as if fully set forth herein.

19 138. Plaintiff and Class members entered into a contract with Defendants for the provision
20 of title insurance or other closing services.

21 139. The terms of Defendants’ privacy policy are part of the contract.

22 140. Plaintiff and Class members performed substantially all that was required of them
23 under their contract with Defendants, or they were excused from doing so.

24 141. Defendants failed to perform its obligations under the contract, including by failing to
25 provide adequate privacy, security, and confidentiality safeguards for Plaintiff and Class member’s
26 information and documents.

27 142. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants’ breach of contract, Plaintiff and Class
28 members did not receive the full benefit of the bargain, and instead received title insurance or other

1 closing services that were less valuable than described in their contracts. Plaintiff and Class members,
2 therefore, were damaged in an amount at least equal to the difference in value between that which was
3 promised and Defendants' deficient performance.

4 143. Also, as a result of Defendants' breach of contract, Plaintiff and Class members have
5 suffered actual damages resulting from the exposure of their personal information, and they remain at
6 imminent risk of suffering additional damages in the future.

7 144. Accordingly, Plaintiff and Class members have been injured by Defendants' breach of
8 contract and are entitled to damages and /or restitution in an amount to be proven at trial.

9 **SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

10 **(Unjust Enrichment)**

11 145. Plaintiff re-alleges the paragraphs above as if fully set forth herein.

12 146. Defendants received a benefit from Plaintiff and the Class in the form of payments for
13 title insurance or other closing services.

14 147. The benefits received by Defendants were at Plaintiff's and the Class's expense.

15 148. The circumstances here are such that it would be unjust for Defendants to retain the
16 portion of Plaintiff's and the Class's payments that should have been earmarked to provide adequate
17 privacy, security, and confidentiality safeguards for Plaintiff and Class members' personal information
18 and documents.

19 149. Plaintiff and the Class seek disgorgement of Defendants' ill-gotten gains.

20 **EIGHTH CAUSE OF ACTION**

21 **(Invasion of Privacy)**

22 150. Plaintiff re-alleges the paragraphs above as if fully set forth herein.

23 151. Plaintiff brings this claim on behalf of herself and the Class.

24 152. Plaintiff and Class members have a legally protected privacy interest in their PII and
25 PHI that Defendants required them to provide and allow them to store.

26 153. Plaintiff and Class members reasonably expected that their PII and PHI would be
27 protected and secured from unauthorized parties, would not be disclosed to any unauthorized parties
28 or disclosed for any improper purpose.

3. Adjudging and decreeing that Defendants have engaged in the conduct alleged herein;
4. For compensatory and general damages according to proof on certain causes of action;
5. For damages on certain causes of action, including \$1,000 per Class Member pursuant to Cal. Civ. Code §§ 56.35 and 56.36(b) and all other available statutory damages;
6. For reimbursement, restitution and disgorgement on certain causes of action;
7. For both pre and post-judgment interest at the maximum allowable rate on any amounts awarded;
8. For costs of the proceedings herein;
9. For reasonable attorneys' fees as allowed by statute; and
10. For any and all such other and further relief that this Court may deem just and proper, including but not limited to punitive or exemplary damages.

Dated: December 3, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

ROBINSON CALCAGNIE, INC.

/s/ Daniel S. Robinson

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DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Plaintiff demands a trial by jury of all issues in this action so triable of right.

Dated: December 3, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sample:

At Planned Parenthood Los Angeles (“PPLA”), we take our commitment to privacy very seriously, and we work hard to protect our patients’ information. We are writing to inform you of an incident involving some of your information. This letter explains the incident, measures we have taken, and some steps you may consider taking in response.

What Happened

On October 17, 2021, we identified suspicious activity on our computer network. We immediately took our systems offline, notified law enforcement, and a third-party cybersecurity firm was engaged to assist in our investigation. The investigation determined that an unauthorized person gained access to our network between October 9, 2021 and October 17, 2021, and exfiltrated some files from our systems during that time.

What Information Was Involved

As soon as we determined what files were involved, we began a review to determine what they contained. On November 4, 2021, we identified files that contained your name and one or more of the following: address, insurance information, date of birth, and clinical information, such as diagnosis, procedure, and/or prescription information.

What You Can Do

At this time, we have no evidence that any information involved in this incident has been used for fraudulent purposes. However, in an abundance of caution, we wanted to notify you of this incident and assure you that we take this very seriously. It is always a good idea to review statements you receive from your health insurer and health care providers. If you see charges for services you did not receive, please call the insurer or provider immediately.

What We Are Doing

We have and will continue to take steps to enhance our existing security measures and to help protect the information in our care, including increasing our network monitoring, engaging an external cybersecurity firm, and hiring additional cybersecurity resources and talent to our team.

For More Information

We deeply regret that this incident occurred and for any concern this may cause you. If you have questions about this incident, please call (866) 665-2966, Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Pacific Time, and Saturday and Sunday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Pacific Time. Callers should provide Engagement Number **B021848** to the operator.

Sincerely,



Kevin Oliver
Compliance Officer



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30 de noviembre de 2021

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Estimado Sample:

En Planned Parenthood de Los Angeles ("PPLA"), tomamos muy en serio nuestro compromiso con la privacidad y trabajamos arduamente para proteger la información de nuestros pacientes. Hoy le escribimos para informarle de un incidente relacionado con parte de su información. Esta carta explica el incidente, las medidas que hemos tomado y algunos pasos que puede considerar tomar como respuesta.

Qué sucedió

El 17 de octubre de 2021, identificamos actividad sospechosa en nuestra red informática. Inmediatamente desconectamos nuestros sistemas, notificamos a la policía y contratamos a una empresa independiente de ciberseguridad para ayudar con nuestra investigación. La investigación determinó que una persona no autorizada obtuvo acceso a nuestra red entre el 9 de octubre de 2021 y el 17 de octubre de 2021, y exfiltró algunos archivos de nuestros sistemas durante ese tiempo.

Qué información estuvo involucrada

Tan pronto como determinamos qué archivos estaban involucrados, comenzamos una revisión para determinar qué contenían. El 4 de noviembre de 2021, identificamos archivos que contenían el nombre de usted y uno o más de los siguientes: dirección, información del seguro, fecha de nacimiento e información clínica, como diagnóstico, procedimiento o información de recetas de medicamentos.

Lo que usted puede hacer

En este momento, no tenemos ninguna evidencia de que la información involucrada en este incidente haya sido utilizada con fines fraudulentos. Sin embargo, como una medida extrema de precaución, quisimos notificarle de este incidente y asegurarle que lo estamos tomando muy en serio. Una buena idea es la de siempre revisar las declaraciones que recibe de su aseguradora de salud y de sus proveedores de atención médica. Si ve cargos por servicios que usted no recibió, llame inmediatamente a la aseguradora o al proveedor.

Lo que estamos haciendo

Estamos tomando los pasos necesarios para mejorar nuestras medidas de seguridad y para ayudar a proteger la información que se encuentra bajo nuestro cuidado, incluido el aumento de nuestro monitoreo de red, la participación de una empresa de ciberseguridad externa y la contratación de recursos y talento de ciberseguridad adicionales para nuestro equipo.

Para más información

Lamentamos profundamente que este incidente haya ocurrido y cualquier preocupación que esto pueda ocasionarle. Si tiene preguntas sobre este incidente, llame al (866) 665-2966, de lunes a viernes, entre las 6:00 a.m. y las 8:00 p.m. y de sábado a domingo entre las 8:00 a.m. y las 5:00 p.m., horario del Pacífico. Al llamar deberá proporcionar su número de participación **B021848** al operador.

Atentamente,

Kevin Oliver
Oficial de Cumplimiento