SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: NATIONAL UNION FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY (AVISO AL DEMANDADO): OF PITTSBURGH, PA, a Pennsylvania corporation; BASSI EDLIN HUIE & BLUM, LLP, a California limited liability partnership; and DOES 1 through 10, inclusive

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: CORE HEALTH & FITNESS, (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; CORE FITNESS, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; and CORE INDUSTRIES, LLC, a California limited liability company

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Attorneys for Plaintiffs CORE HEALTH & FITNESS, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; CORE FITNESS, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; and CORE INDUSTRIES, LLC, a California limited liability company

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CENTRAL DISTRICT

CORE HEALTH & FITNESS, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; CORE FITNESS, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; and CORE INDUSTRIES, LLC, a California limited liability company,

Plaintiffs.

NATIONAL UNION FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF PITTSBURGH, PA, a Pennsylvania corporation; BASSI EDLIN HUIE & BLUM, LLP, a California limited liability partnership; and DOES 1 through 10, inclusive,

Defendants.

CASE NO.

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COMPLAINT FOR:

- 1. INSURANCE BAD FAITH;
- 2. LEGAL MALPRACTICE

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Complaint Filed: Trial Date:

COME NOW, Plaintiffs Core Health & Fitness, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; Core Fitness, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; and Core Industries, LLC, a Care of the limited liability company, and allege as follows:

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GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

- 1. Plaintiffs Core Health & Fitness, LLC and Core Fitness LLC, are limited liability companies formed in Nevada and qualified to do business in the State of California.
- 2. Plaintiff Core Industries, LLC, is a limited liability company formed in California and qualified to do business in the State of California. (Core Health & Fitness, LLC, Core Fitness LLC and Core Industries are collectively referred to as "Core" and/or "Plaintiffs")
- 3. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and based thereon allege that at all times relevant herein Defendant National Union Fire Insurance of Pittsburg, PA (hereinafter "National Union") was a Pennsylvania corporation and a fully owned subsidiary of American International Group, Inc., and was licensed and authorized by the State of California Department of Insurance to engage in the business of insurance within this State and was doing business within the County of Los Angeles, State of California.
- 4. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and based thereon allege that Bassi Edlin Huie & Blum, LLP (hereinafter "BEHB"), is a limited liability partnership formed in the State of California and doing business in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, as a professional law corporation.
- 5. Whenever reference in this Complaint is made to any act, conduct, omission or transaction of National Union, such allegations shall be deemed to mean that the principals, officers, directors, managing agents, employees, agents and representatives of National Union, committed, knew of, performed, authorized, ratified or directed such act, conduct, omission or transaction on behalf of National Union while actively engaged in the scope of their duties.
- 6. Whenever reference in this Complaint is made to any act, conduct, omission or transaction of BEHB, such allegations shall be deemed to mean that the principals, partners, associates, officers, directors, managing agents, employees, agents and representatives of National Union, committed, knew of, performed, authorized, ratified or directed such act, conduct, omission or transaction on behalf of National Union while actively engaged in the scope of their duties.

7. Plaintiffs do not know the true names or capacities, whether individual, corporate, associate or otherwise of Defendant Does 1 through 10, inclusive, and therefore sue said Defendants by such fictitious names. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and thereon allege that each fictitious Defendant was in some manner responsible, participated in or contributed to, and is therefore legal responsible for, the matters complained of by Plaintiffs herein. Plaintiffs will seek to amend this Complaint if and when the exact nature and identity of such fictitious Defendants, and their responsibility for, participation in, and contribution to the matters herein alleged are ascertained.

Factual Background

- 8. On or before August 1, 2013, in consideration of the payment of premium by Plaintiffs, National Union executed and delivered to Core, its Commercial General Liability policy, Policy No. GL536-16-09 (hereinafter referred to as the "Policy") by the terms of which National Union undertook to and did insure Core against any and all liability and agreed to pay on behalf of Core all sums which it shall become legally obligated to pay as damages because of, inter alia, bodily injury, property damage or personal injury, up to the applicable limits of liability of the Policy. The Policy took effect on August 1, 2013 and was in full force and effect at all relevant times herein.
- 9. The National Union Policy contains a Named Insured Endorsement adding the following, among others, as additional insureds: Core Fitness, LLC dba Star Trac and Core Industries, LLC.
- 10. On August 1, 2013, National Union issued Commercial Umbrella Policy No. BE 80770688 to Core with a \$10,000,000 limit of liability (the "Umbrella Policy"). The Umbrella Policy covers the same risks as the Policy.
- 11. On January 10, 2014, Manuel Rodriquez filed a complaint against LA Fitness.

 International, LLC ("LA Fitness") seeking compensatory and punitive damages for a traumatic brain injury which he allegedly sustained using a Core crossover exercise machine at a LA Fitness gym. A true and correct copy of said complaint is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated by this reference.

12.	LA Fitness is an Additional Insured pursuant to the terms of the Policy's Additional
Insured End	orsement. LA Fitness owns and operates numerous gyms across the country and was
a large custo	omer of Core until National Union's bad faith and BEHB's malpractice destroyed the
relationship	

- 13. On May 20, 2014, Fitness tendered the Rodriquez lawsuit to Core and on or about May 29, 2014, Core accepted Fitness' tender. At the same time, Core forwarded a tender of the LA Fitness tender to National Union under the Policy.
- 14. On or about January 26, 2015, Rodriguez filed a Second Amended Complaint adding Core Industries, LLC as a defendant.
- On March 30, 2016, Fitness filed a cross-complaint against Core seeking defense and indemnity, a true and correct copy of which is attached as **Exhibit "B."** Immediately thereafter, Core tendered the Fitness cross-complaint to National Union under the Policy. National Union failed to timely respond to the tender.
- 16. On November 11, 2015, National Union denied coverage for Fitness based upon its false representation that: "Fitness's status as an additional insured is limited to its liability arising out of Core's operations as a fitness equipment manufacturer for Core's design or manufacturing defects, if any." In fact, the Additional Insured coverage was much broader and clearly encompassed LA fitness. A true and correct copy of the National Union denial letter is attached hereto as Exhibit "C" and incorporated by this reference.
- 17. On or about November 30, 2015, BEHB substituted into the Rodriguez case to defend Core against the Rodriguez complaint and the LA Fitness cross-complaint.

The Wrongful Conduct

Throughout the Rodriguez litigation, Core advised National Union and BEHB that it was crucial to the reputation of Core that the Rodriguez matter be fully resolved prior to trial. Core was extremely concerned about the effect a public trial could have on its stellar reputation with the public, its great reputation in the fitness community, and its profitable relationship with LA Fitness. National Union and BEHB were also repeatedly advised that it was equally crucial to Core that National Union extricate its additional insured, LA Fitness, from the Rodriquez action in

order to preserve, and not destroy, Core's relationship with LA Fitness, a large and publicly visible client of Core.

- 19. On September 6, 2016, Judge Rick Brown, presiding over the Rodriguez action, issued issue, evidentiary and monetary sanctions against Core and its counsel which severely crippled Core and LA Fitness' ability to defend themselves and made punitive damages very likely. Not only did BEHB not report on the sanction orders, to the contrary, in its September 6, 2016 report to National Union, BEHB falsely represented that "unresolved critical issues are;
 - Will Plaintiff be found responsible for any part of the subject incident?
 - Is there a defect in the machine particular a design defect, as there is not [sic] evidence of a manufacturing defect?"

To the contrary, both of these "critical issues" were resolved, adverse to Core, pursuant to the Rodriguez Court's issue and evidentiary sanctions that morning.

- 20. Further evidencing BEHB's breaches of duty is the fact that BEHB did not reference the sanctions order in its September 6, 2016 report. Although BEHB did not reference the sanctions order in its September 6, 2016 report, it did ask National Union to budget \$25,000 for sanctions, not coincidentally, the exact amount BEHB was sanctioned that morning.
- 21. Later that same day, Mike Gallagher a partner in BEHB, wrote to National Union to provide a report and valuation of the case. Remarkably, Gallagher/BEHB blatantly omitted and misrepresented what happened in court that morning. A true and correct copy of defense counsel's report is attached hereto as Exhibit "D" and incorporated by this reference.
- 22. Not coincidently, the next day, September 7, 2016, National Union issued a supplemental reservation of rights letter in which AIG purports, for the first time, to reserve rights based on Rodriquez' Third Amended Complaint which was filed on or about March 9, 2016. In truth, this late reservation of rights was issued in response to the Court's sanctions the day earlier, which greatly increased the potential for punitive damages against both Core and LA Fitness. Of course, neither National Union nor BEHB timely advised Core of the sanctions and never advised Core of their import. To the contrary, both National Union and BEHB continued to act as if the sanctions never happened. Indeed, as time would show the issue and evidentiary sanctions were

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crippling to Core and LA Fitness. Core (and LA Fitness since the case was tried together) were immediately exposed to punitive damages since the jury would, and was, instructed that they had notice of a design defect before the Rodriguez incident.

- 23. On October 13, 2016, the Court in the Rodriquez matter issued additional issue, evidentiary and monetary sanctions which further crippled Core and LA Fitness' defense.
- 24. In an effort to deflect on the reason for the various sanctions orders, BEHB further downplayed the significance of the sanctions to National Union and to Core.
- with National Union to provide National Union with false excuses to not authorize sufficient funds for a global settlement of the Rodriguez action. For instance, on October 3, 2016, Mike Gallagher of BEHB sent a report to National Union valuing the Rodriquez case between \$50,000 and \$250,000. Three days later, Mike Gallagher of BEHB advised Core that the value of the case was between \$10 million and \$30 million. When this latter valuation was forwarded to National Union by Core, BEHB, through Gallagher, insisted that their valuation was still \$250,000 or less. As BEHB later admitted, however, the valuation sent to National Union incredulously assumed, at National Union's request, that there was no possibility that Rodriguez could prove he suffered a traumatic brain injury and that there was no possibility that Core could be found to have acted with reckless disregard and thus found liable for punitive damages. Not only was there no basis whatsoever for these assumptions, but the Court's issue and evidentiary sanctions actually made punitive damages a likely scenario against both Core and LA Fitness.
- 26. When, on October 12, 2016 the client, through personal counsel, requested \$900,000 in settlement authority from National Union to resolve the Rodriguez case, Mr. Gallagher of BEHB, working in unison with National Union, undercut the request by writing that he did not request that amount and his valuation was still lower, again, based on National Union's bad faith request that BEHB assume that Rodriguez could not prove a traumatic brain injury or recover punitive damages.
- 27. On November 7, 2016, the parties in the Rodriquez case obtained a mediator's proposal in the amount of \$2.275 million for a global settlement of the Rodriquez case, which

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would have dismissed both Core and LA Fitness and the LA Fitness cross-complaint. Core demanded that National Union pay said sum and on November 14, 2016, National Union unreasonably denied said demand, based in part on the false valuation it directed BEHB to prepare.

- 28. On December 8, 2016, in the midst of the Rodriguez trial, and in bad faith, National Union issued a supplemental reservation of rights letter to Core with regard to the Fitness cross-complaint. Plaintiffs are informed and believe that this is the first time that National Union reserved any rights with regard to the Fitness cross-complaint against Core. A true and correct copy of said reservation of rights letter is attached hereto as **Exhibit "E"** and incorporated by this reference.
- 29. On November 29, 2016, Core settled directly with Rodriguez, during trial, for \$750,000. Despite Core's numerous pleas to National Union to settle the case as to LA Fitness, and despite National Union's duties to Core and LA Fitness, National Union unreasonably continued to refuse to settle the case as to LA Fitness. The trial thus continued against LA Fitness thereby putting Core at further risk on the LA Fitness cross-complaint, to its global reputation and to its relationship with LA Fitness.
- 30. On or about December 14, 2016, a jury found that Rodriquez suffered a traumatic brain injury as a result of a defect in Core's crossover machine and LA Fitness was found liable to Rodriguez for \$5.8 million in compensatory damages and \$17 million in punitive damages based in part on the issue sanctions ordered by the Court. A true and correct cop of the jury's Verdict Form is attached hereto as Exhibit "F" and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 31. Immediately after the trial concluded, as a result of the jury's finding of a design defect (based on the evidentiary sanctions), LA Fitness demanded that Core remove all of its crossover machines from all LA Fitness locations and further indicated that it would no longer do business with Core, all to the damage of Core in an amount to be determined at time of trial. The jury's finding of a defect in Core's machine also subjected Core to certain onerous and costly reporting requirements. Thus, the damage to Core as a result of BEHB's malpractice and National Union's bad faith was not only foreseeable, but immediate.

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FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

(Breach of the Covenant of Good Faith and Fair Dealing Against National Union and Does 1 through 5)

- 32. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference all allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 through 31 above as if fully set forth herein.
- 33. The Policy and the Umbrella Policy of National Union constitute and compromise written contracts between National Union on the one hand and Core on the other hand.
- 34. Core has fully performed all of its obligations under the Policy and the Umbrella Policy or has been excused from said performance.
- 35. By virtue of various wrongful acts, National Union has breached the terms of the Policy and the Umbrella Policy, including but not limited to:
 - A. Putting National Union's interests ahead of its insured by failing to timely settle the Rodriguez action or the LA Fitness cross-complaint in the Rodriguez action;
 - B. Failing to timely resolve the LA Fitness cross-complaint against Core;
 - C. Failing to timely resolve the Rodriguez complaint against additional insured LA Fitness;
 - D. Failing to appoint at all, or timely appoint, and provide competent counsel for Core in the Rodriguez action;
 - E. Failing to appoint independent counsel; and
 - F. Conspiring with BEHB to keep relevant information from Core and conspiring with BEHB to falsely undervalue the Rodriquez claim.
- 36. As a direct and proximate result of the bad faith by National Union, Core has suffered actual damages in an amount to be determined at trial, including, but not limited to, loss of reputation, loss of relationship with LA Fitness and the cost to remove all of Core's crossover machines from all of LA Fitness' gyms across the United States.
- 37. As a further proximate result of the breach of contract by National Union, Core has suffered incidental and consequential damages in an amount to be determined by proof at time of

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38. Core is informed and believes and based thereon alleges that the aforementioned acts of National Union as alleged above, including but not limited to, National Union's willful and unreasonable failure to settle the claims against Core and LA Fitness was willful and unreasonable and;

- Were committed with an intent to vex, injury and annoy in a manner that A. was malicious within the meaning of Civil Code section 3294; or
- B. Constituted despicable conduct committed with the willful and conscious disregard for Core's rights in a manner that was oppressive and malicious within the meaning of Civil Code section 3294.
- 39. Core is informed and believes and based thereon alleges that the conduct alleged above warrants the assessment of exemplary damages in an amount sufficient to punish and make an example of National Union, in an amount to be determined at trial according to proof.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

(Legal Malpractice Against BEHB and Does 6 through 10)

- 40. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference all allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 through 39 above as if fully set forth herein.
- 41. Defendant BEHB was in an attorney-client relationship with Core. BEHB owed Core a duty to use such skill, prudence and diligence as other members of their profession commonly possess and exercise.
- 42. BEHB failed to exercise reasonable care and skill in undertaking to perform legal services for Core and did so, at a minimum, negligently and carelessly.
- 43. Core is informed and believes and based thereon alleges that BEHB failed to exercise reasonable care and skill in defending the Rodriguez action, including but not limited to, the following wrongful acts;
 - Allowing the Court to repeatedly issue evidentiary, issue and monetary sanctions and not advising Core of the significance of said orders;

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B. Failing to resolve the LA Fitness cross-complaint without damaging Core;
C. Conspiring with National Union to produce grossly undervalued estimates

of the value of the Rodriquez claims so that National Union would have an excuse, albeit a false one, to deny settlement authority;

D. Failing to exercise due care in the conduct of discovery;

F. Failing to exercise due care with regard to insurance coverage issues;

G. Failing to keep Core apprised as to the seriousness of events transpiring in the Rodriguez action, including but not limited to, the evidentiary issue and monetary sanctions; and

H. Representing both Core and National Union as joint clients, with a conflict of interest that was never waived.

44. Core is informed and believes and based thereon alleges that BEHB was acting in the best interests of BEHB and National Union and not in the best interests of Core and that BEHB ignored the cardinal rules of professional responsibility and intentionally, willfully, and repeatedly breached their fiduciary duties of the highest order to Core.

45. Had BEHB exercised proper care and skill in these matters, and not breached their fiduciary duties to Core, Core would not have suffered severe prejudice and damages.

46. As a direct and proximate result of legal malpractice and breach of fiduciary duties by BEHB as set forth above, Core has suffered actual damages in an amount to be proven at time of trial.

47. As a further, direct and proximate result of legal malpractice and breach of fiduciary duties by BEHB as set forth above, Core has suffered incidental and consequential damages, in an amount not presently known, to be determined by proof at time of trial.

48. Core is informed and believes and based thereon alleges that the aforementioned acts of BEHB:

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Plaintiffs hereby demand a trial by jury of all issues, claims and causes of action that property may be tried to a jury in this action.

Dated: September 22, 2017

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Information about additional defendants who are not natural persons is The true names of defendants sued as Does are unknown to plaintiff. a: Doe defendants (specify Doe numbers): 1-20 named defendants and acted within the scope of that agency or en	
b. Doe defendants (specify Doe numbers): 1-20	
praintin.	are persons whose capacities are unknown to
7. Defendants who are joined under Code of Civil Procedure section 382	are (names):
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8. This court is the proper court because	
a. at least one defendant now resides in its jurisdictional area	81
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9. Plaintiff is required to comply with a claims statute, and	. W .
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is excused from complying because (specify):	-
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COMPLAINT—Personal Injury, Pi	

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The following causes of action are attached and the statements above apply to each causes of action attached): [Comparison of the following causes of action attached]:	ch (each complaint mus	it have one or more
a. Motor Vehicle b. General Negligence c. Intentional Tort		N
d. Products Liability e. Premises Liability f. Other (specify):		ē
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Plaintiff has suffered	85 68	
a. wage loss b. loss of use of property c. hospital and medical expenses		
d. general damage e. property damage		14 - 51 - 53
f. solution loss of earning capacity g. other damage (specify):		94 85 85
pain and suffering .	₽	
The damages claimed for wrongful death and the relationships of plaintiff to the a listed in Attachment 12.	e deceased are	
b. as follows:	9 _{.3}	×
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The relief sought in this complaint is within the jurisdiction of this court.	e	
Plaintiff prays for judgment for costs of sult for put		*
Plaintiff prays for judgment for costs of sult; for such relief as is fair, just, and equitable a. (1) compensatory damages (2) punitive damages	•	29
The amount of damages is (in cases for personal injury or wrongful death, you mu (1) according to proof (2) in the amount of: \$		
The paragraphs of this complaint alleged on information and belief are as follows : 1-15	(specify paragraph nul	mbers):
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COMPLAINT—Personal Injury, Property	RETURE OF PLAINTIFF OR ATTO	
Damage, Wrongful Death		Pago 3 of 3

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. 1	(number) CAUSE OF ACTION—General	Negligence Page 4
: A	TTACHMENT TO Complaint Cross - Complaint	
٠ (د	Use a separate cause of action form for each cause of action.)	
G	N-1. Plaintiff (name): MANUEL RODRIGUEZ	
	alleges that defendant (name): L.A. FITNESS INTERNATIONAL	L, LLC (hereinaster "LA Fitness")
:	Does 1 to 20	94
	was the legal (proximate) cause of damages to plaintiff. By the following act negligently caused the damage to plaintiff on (date): November 18, 2013	
*	at (place): 5990 North Sepulveda Boulevard, Van Nuys, CA 91-	411 *
÷	(description of reasons for liability):	
* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	In November 2013, LA Fitness and DOES 1 to 20 (collectively reasonably should have known of a condition that was a forest patrons in connection with one of the exercise machines at Defendants were aware, or reasonably should have been aware was in need of maintenance by Defendants and/or could not be the November 2013 time period.	ceable danger to Defendants' fendants' fitness facility.
	Defendants owed a duty of reasonable and ordinary careas we their paying guests, such as Plaintiff Rodriguezto Plaintiff Rothers subject exercise machine and/or adequately warn of the exit with the subject exercise machine. Defendants did neither.	ell as the heightened duties owed to odriguez to remove hazards such as stence of the danger in connection
	In breach of Defendants' duties of care owed to Plaintiff, Defen negligently allowed the subject exercise machine to be used by need for maintenance, and due to his use of said exercise machinjuries and damages. An un-welcomed risk was thus negligent their inappropriate acts and/or omissions in allowing the subject patrons when it was in need of maintenance, and Plaintiff Rodri that are the foreseeable result of Defendants' negligence as set for	patrons without any warning of its ne, Plaintiff Rodriguez suffered tly created by Defendants due to t exercise machine to be used by
r:	Defendants' negligence was a direct, proximate and legal cause Plaintiff Rodriguez.	

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	(number) CAUSE OF ACTION—Premises Liability	Page5
	MENT TO Complaint Cross - Complaint parate cause of action form for each cause of action.)	
Prem.L-1	Plaintiff (name): MANUEL RODRIGUEZ	Ø.
**!	On (date): November 18, 2013 plaintiff was injured on the following as	
•	(Toda pichises and circumstances of initial).	
5 - 55 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 -	Defendants were aware, or reasonably should have been aware, that one of machines at Defendants' exercise facility was in need of maintenance, and machine could not be used safely by any patrons during the November 20 that maintenance had been performed. Defendants allowed this known da exist on Defendants' property and without any sort of proper warning—and condition was the actual and proximate cause of Plaintiff Rodriguez's injured.	that said exercise 13 time period until ngerous condition to
Prem.L-2.	Count One—Negligence The defendants who negligently owned, maintained, management the described premises were (names): L.A. FITNESS INTERNATIONAL, LLC	nes and damages.
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.Prem.L-3.		(4)
: .	Count Two—Willful Failure to Warn [Civil Code section 846] The defendant own or maliciously failed to guard or warn against a dangerous condition, use, structure (names):	ers who willfully , or activity were
1	L.A. FITNESS INTERNATIONAL, LLC	
all or	Does 1 to 20	
0	Plaintiff, a recreational user, was an invited guest a paying guest.	
Prem.L-4,	Count Three—Dangerous Condition of Public Property The defendants who ow on which a dangerous condition existed were (names):	med public property
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* 8	Doesto	
1	a. The defendant public entity had actual constructive notice of	of the existence of the
Prem.L-5. a.	The condition was created by employees of the defendant with	
(7)	Allegations about Other Defendants The defendants who were the agents and emother defendants and acted within the scope of the agency were (names):	ployees of the
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(¹ √) , > , p'	The defendants who are liable to plaintiffs for other reasons and the reasons for their described in attachment Prem.L-5.b as follows (names):	liability are
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Other non-PI/PD/WD tort (35)	Asset forfeiture (05)	Miscellaneous Civil Petition
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Wrongful termination (36)	Writ of mandate (02)	Other petition (not specified above) (43)
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To Plaintiffs and Others Filing First Papers. If you are filing a first paper (for example, a complaint) in a civil case, you must complete and file, along with your first paper, the Civil Case Cover Sheet contained on page 1. This information will be used to compile statistics about the types and numbers of cases filed. You must complete items 1 through 6 on the sheet. In item 1, you must check one box for the case type that best describes the case. If the case fits both a general and a more specific type of case listed in item 1, check the more specific one. If the case has multiple causes of action, check the box that best indicates the primary cause of action. To assist you in completing the sheet, examples of the cases that belong under each case type in item 1 are provided below. A cover sheet must be filed only with your initial paper. Failure to file a cover sheet with the first paper filed in a civil case may subject a party, its counsel, or both to sanctions under rules 2.30 and 3.220 of the California Rules of Court.

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

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

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Auto Tort
    Aulo (22)-Personal Injury/Property
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    Uninsured Motorist (46) (if the
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case involves an uninsured motorist claim subject to arbitration, check this item instead of Auto)

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

Asbestos (04)

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Product Liability (not asbestos or toxic/environmental) (24) Medical Malpractice (45)

Medical Malpractice-Physicians & Surgeons

Other Professional Health Care Malpractice

Other PI/PD/WD (23)

Premises Liability (e.g., slip

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)

Fraud (16)

Intellectual Property (19)

Professional Negligence (25) Legal Malpractice

Other Professional Malpractice (not medical or legal)

Other Non-PI/PD/WD Tort (35) Employment

Wrongful Termination (36) Other Employment (15)

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CASE TYPES AND EXAMPLES

Contract

Breach of Contract/Warranty (06) Breach of Rental/Lease

Contract (not unlawful detainer or wrongful eviction)

Contract/Warranty Breach-Seller Plaintiff (not fraud or negligence)

Negligent Breach of Contract/ Warranty

Other Breach of Contract/Warranty Collections (e.g., money owed, open

book accounts) (09) Collection Case-Seller Plaintiff Other Promissory Note/Collections

Case Insurance Coverage (not provisionally

complex) (18) **Auto Subrogation** Other Coverage

Other Contract (37)

Contractual Fraud Other Contract Dispute **Real Property**

Eminent Domain/Inverse .

Condemnation (14) Wrongful Eviction (33)

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

Mortgage Foreclosure

Quiet Title

Other Real Property (not eminent domain, landlord/tenant, or foreclosure)

Unlawful Detainer

Commercial (31)

Residential (32)

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

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

Provisionally Complex Civil Litigation (Cal. Rules of Court Rules 3.400-3.403)

Antitrust/Trade Regulation (03) Construction Defect (10)

Claims Involving Mass Tort (40) Securities Litigation (28)

Environmental/Toxic Tort (30)

Insurance Coverage Claims (arising from provisionally complex

case type listed above) (41) Enforcement of Judgment

Enforcement of Judgment (20) Abstract of Judgment (Out of County)

Confession of Judgment (nondomestic relations)

Sister State Judgment

Administrative Agency Award (not unpaid taxes)

Petition/Certification of Entry of Judgment on Unpaid Taxes

Other Enforcement of Judgment Case

Miscellaneous Civil Complaint

RICO (27)

Other Complaint (not specified

above) (42)

Declaratory Relief Only Injunctive Relief Only (non-

harassment)

Mechanics Lien

Other Commercial Complaint Case (non-tort/non-complex)

Other Civil Complaint (non-tort/non-complex)

Miscellaneous Civil Petition

Partnership and Corporate Governance (21)

Other Petition (not specified above) (43)

Civil Harassment Workplace Violence

Elder/Dependent Adult

Abuse **Election Contest**

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Claim

Other Civil Petition

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This form is required pursuant to Local Rule 2.0 in all new civil case filings in the Los Angeles	,
Item I. Check the types of hearing and fill in the estimated length of hearing expected for this	e
JURY TRIAL? YES CLASS ACTION? YES LIMITED CASE? YES TIME ESTIMATED FOR TRIAL O	5 ☐ HOURS/ ☑ DAY
Item II. Indicate the correct district and courthouse location (4 steps – If you checked "Limited Case",	skip to Item III, Pg. 4
Step 1: After first completing the Civil Case Cover Sheet form, find the main Civil Case Cover She case in the left margin below, and, to the right in Column A, the Civil Case Cover Sheet case type y	eet heading for your ou selected.
Step 2: Check one Superior Court type of action in Column B below which best describes the nat	ure of this case.
Step 3: In Column C, circle the reason for the court location choice that applies to the type of action checked. For any exception to the court location, see Local Rule 2.0.	on you have
Applicable Reasons for Choosing Courthouse Location (see Column C below	v)
Class actions must be filed in the Stanley Mosk Courthouse, central district. May be filed in central (other county, or no bodily injury/property degrees).	

- Location where cause of action arose.
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 Location where bodily injury, death or damage occurred.
 Location where performance required or defendant resides.
- Location where petitioner resides.
 Location where petitioner resides.
 Location where one or more of the parties reside.
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 Location of Labor Commissioner Office
- Step 4: Fill in the information requested on page 4 in Item III; complete Item IV. Sign the declaration.

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Auto	Auto (22)	☐ A7100 Motor Vehicle - Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death	1., 2., 4.
A T	Uninsured Motorist (46)	☐ A7110 Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death – Uninsured Motorist	1., 2., 4.
182 Other Personal Injury, Property Damage/ Wrongful Death Tort	Asbestos (04)	□ A6070 Asbestos Property Damage □ A7221 Asbestos - Personal Injury/Wrongful Death	2.
	Product Liability (24)	☐ A7260 Product Liability (not asbestos or toxic/environmental)	1., 2., 3., 4., 8.
	Medical Malpractice (45)	□ A7210 Medical Malpractice - Physicians & Surgeons □ A7240 Other Professional Health Care Malpractice	1., 4. 1., 4.
	(23)	□ A7250 Premises Liability (e.g., slip and fall) □ A7230 Intentional Bodily Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death (e.g., assault, vandalism, etc.) □ A7270 Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress □ A7220 Other Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death	1 ₁₁ 4. 1 ₁₂ 4. 1 ₁₂ 3. 1 ₁₄ 4.
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	Business Tort (07)	A6029 Other Commerciat/Business Tort (not traud/breach of contract)	1., 3.
	Civil Rights (08)	☐ A6005 Civil Rights/Discrimination	1., 2., 3.
	Defamation (13)	□ A6010 Defamation (slander/libet)	1., 2., 3.
	Fraud (16)	□ A6013 Fraud (no contract)	1., 2., 3.
	Professional Negligence (25)	□ A6017 Legal Malpractice □ A6050 Other Professional Malpractice (not medical or legal)	1., 2., 3.
	Other (35)	□ A6025 Other Non-Personal Injury/Property Damage tort	2,,3.
	Wrongful Termination (36)	A6037 Wrongful Termination	1., 2., 3.
	Other Employment (15)	A6024 Olher Employment Complaint Case A6109 Labor Commissioner Appeals	1., 2., 3.
	Breach of Contract/ Warranty (06) (not insurance)	□ A6004 Breach of Rental/Lease Contract (not unlawful detainer or wrongful eviction) □ A6008 Contract/Warranty Breach -Seller Plaintiff (no fraud/negligence) □ A6019 Negligent Breach of Contract/Warranty (no fraud) □ A6028 Other Breach of Contract/Warranty (not fraud or negligence)	2., 5. 2., 5. 1., 2., 5. 1., 2., 5.
	Collections (09)	☐ A6002 Collections Case-Seller PlaIntiff ☐ A6012 Other Promissory Note/Collections Case	2., 5., 6.
	Insurance Coverage (18)	☐ A6015 Insurance Coverage (not complex)	1., 2., 5., 8.
	Other Contract (37)	□ A6009 Contractual Fraud □ A6031 Tortious Interference □ A6027 Other Contract Dispute(not breach/insurance/fraud/negligence)	1., 2., 3., 5. 1., 2:, 3., 5. 1., 2., 3., 8.
	Eminent Domain/Inverse Condemnation (14)	□ A7300 Eminent Domain/Condemnation Number of parcels	2.
L	Wrongful Eviction (33)	☐ A6023 Wrongful Eviction Case	2., 6.
	Other Real Property (26)	□ A6018 Mortgage Foreclosure □ A6032 Quiet Title □ A6060 Other Real Property (not eminent domain, landlord/lenant, foreclosure)	2., 6. 2., 6. 2., 6.
	Unlawful Detainer-Commercial (31)	A6021 Unlawful Detainer-Commercial (not drugs or wrongful eviction)	2., 6.
	Unlawful Detainer-Residential (32)	☐ A6020 Unlawful Detainer-Residential (not drugs or wrongful eviction)	2., 6.
	Unlawful Detainer- Post-Foreclosure (34)	A6020FUnlawful Detainer-Post-Forectosure	2., 6.
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eview	Petition re Arbitration (11)	☐ A6115 Petition to Compel/Confirm/Vacate Arbitration	2., 5.
Judicial Review	Writ of Mandate (02)	□ A6151 Writ - Administrative Mandamus □ A6152 Writ - Mandamus on Limited Court Case Matter □ A6153 Writ - Other Limited Court Case Review	2., 8. 2. 2.
	Other Judicial Review (39)	□ A6150 Other Writ /Judicial Review	2., 8.
tion	Antitrust/Trade Regulation (03)	☐ A6003 Antitrust/Trade Regulation	1., 2., 8.
Litiga	Construction Defect (10)	☐ A6007 Construction Defect	1., 2., 3.
Provisionally Complex Litigation	Claims involving Mass Tort (40)	A6006 Claims Involving Mass Tort	1., 2., 8.
ally Cc	Securities Litigation (28)	☐ A6035 Securities Litigation Case	1., 2., 8.
vision	Toxic Tort Environmental (30)	☐ A6036 Toxic Tort/Environmental	1., 2., 3., 8.
Pr	Insurance Coverage Claims from Complex Case (41)	☐ A6014 Insurance Coverage/Subrogation (complex case only)	1., 2., 5., 8.
Enforcement of Judgment	Enforcement of Judgment (20)	A6160 Abstract of Judgment A6107 Confession of Judgment (non-domestic relations) A6140 Administrative Agency Award (not unpaid taxes) A6114 Petition/Certificate for Entry of Judgment on Unpaid Tax A6112 Other Enforcement of Judgment County	2., 9. 2., 6. 2., 9. 2., 8. 2., 8. 2., 8.
us nts	RICO (27)	□ A6033 Racketeering (BICO) Case	1., 2., 8.
Miscellaneous Civil Complaints	Other Complaints (Not Specified Above) (42)	□ A6030 Declaratory Relief Only □ A6040 Injunctive Relief Only (not domestic/harassment) □ A6011 Other Commercial Complaint Case (non-tort/non-complex) □ A6000 Other Civil Complaint (non-tort/non-complex)	1., 2., 8. 2., 8.
1	Partnership Corporation Governance (21)	A6113 Padpership and Corporate Course	., 8.
8.884 Miscellaneous	Olher Petitions (NoI Specified Above) (43)	A6121 Civil Harassment A6123 Workplace Harassment A6124 Elder/Dependent Adult Abuse Case A6190 Election Contest A6110 Petition for Change of Name A6170 Petition for Relief from Late Claim Law A6100 Other Civil Petition	., 3., 9. ., 3., 9. ., 3., 9. ., 7. ., 3., 4., 8.
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Item III. Statement of Location: Enter the address of the accident, party's residence or place of business, performance, or other circumstance indicated in Item II., Step 3 on Page 1, as the proper reason for filing in the court location you selected.

REASON: Check the appropriate boxes for the numbers shown under Column C for the type of action that you have selected for this case.

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Item IV. Declaration of Assignment: I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct and that the above-entitled matter is properly filed for assignment to the Stanley Mosk courthouse in the Central District of the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles [Code Civ. Proc., § 392 et seq., and Local Rule 2.0, subds. (b), (c) and (d)].

Dated: January 8, 2014

(SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY/FILING PARTY)

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

- 1. Original Complaint or Petition.
- 2. If filing a Complaint, a completed Summons form for issuance by the Clerk.
- 3. ¡Civil Case Cover Sheet, Judicial Council form CM-010.
- Civil Case Cover Sheet Addendum and Statement of Location form, LACIV 109, LASC Approved 03-04 (Rev. 03/11).
- 5. Payment in full of the filing fee, unless fees have been waived.
- A signed order appointing the Guardian ad Litem, Judicial Council form CIV-010, if the plaintiff or petitioner is a minor under 18 years of age will be required by Court in order to issue a summons.
- Additional copies of documents to be conformed by the Clerk. Copies of the cover sheet and this addendum must be served along with the summons and complaint, or other initiating pleading in the case.

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CROSS-COMPLAINT OF FITNESS INTERNATIONAL, LLC AGAINST CORE INDUSTRIES, LLC

doing business in the State of California, County of Los Angeles and this judicial district.

- 2. Cross-complainant LA Fitness does not know the true names and capacities of the cross-defendants who are sued as Roes.
- 3. Cross-complainant LA Fitness is informed and believes that cross-defendants, and each of them, were, and now are, the agents, employees, co-venturers, partners, or in some manner agents or principals, or both, for each other and were acting in the course and scope of their agency or employment. Cross-defendants, and each of them, were and now are residents of and doing business in and by virtue of the laws of the State of California, County of Los Angeles and this judicial district.
- 4. The principal action alleges among other things conduct entitling plaintiff to damages against cross-complainant LA Fitness.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

(Comparative Indemnity and Apportionment of Fault against all Cross-Defendants and ROES 1 through 20)

- 5. Cross-complainant contends that cross-complainant is not liable for events and occurrences described in plaintiff's complaint.
- 6. Cross-complainant LA Fitness is informed and believes that each cross-defendant was responsible, in whole or in part, for the injuries, if any, suffered by plaintiff.
- 7. If cross-complainant is judged liable to plaintiff, each cross-defendant should be required to pay a share of plaintiff's judgment which is in proportion to the comparative negligence of that cross-defendant in causing plaintiff's damages, and to reimburse cross-complainant LA Fitness for any payments cross-complainant makes to plaintiff in excess of cross-complainant's proportional share of all cross-defendants' negligence.
- 8. As a direct and proximate result of the above, cross-complainant LA Fitness has been damaged by reason of investigation, expenses, attorneys' fees and costs which have been, and will be, incurred, in a sum not currently known. When the true amount of damages has been ascertained, cross-complainant will amend this cross-complaint to insert the same.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

(Total Equitable Indemnity against all Cross-Defendants and ROES 1 through 20)

- 9. Cross-complainant LA Fitnes's realleges each and every allegation contained in the preceding paragraphs of this cross-complaint and incorporates them as though fully set forth.
- 10. If cross-complainant LA Fitness is found in some manner responsible to plaintiff or to anyone else as a result of the incidents and occurrences described in plaintiff's complaint, any liability would be based solely upon a derivative form of liability not resulting from cross-complainant's conduct, but only from an obligation imposed upon cross-complainant by law; therefore, cross-complainant would be entitled to complete indemnity from each cross-defendant. Cross-complainant tendered this matter to Core Industries, LLC for defense and indemnification and that tender was rejected.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

(Declaratory Relief against all Cross-Defendants and ROES 1 through 20)

- 11. An actual controversy exists between the parties concerning their respective rights and duties because cross-complainant contends and cross-defendants dispute the allegations alleged in this cross-complaint.
- 12. Cross-complainant LA Fitness requests a judicial declaration of the rights, responsibilities and obligations of the cross-defendants, and each of them, as to cross-complainant.

FORTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Express Contractual Indemnity against all Cross-Defendants and ROES 1 through 20)

- 13. Cross-complainant LA Fitness realleges each and every allegation contained in the preceding paragraphs of this cross-complaint and incorporates them as though fully set forth.
- 14. Cross-complainant is informed and believes and thereon alleges that cross-complainant entered into a written agreement with cross-defendants on or about July 20, 2011 encompassing the purchase of the equipment involved in the underlying action. In that contract Core Industries, LLC agrees to defend and indemnify LA Fitness for any claim or injury,

including attorney's fees, which arises from a design or manufacturing defect – precisely what is being alleged in the underlying action. Further, CORE agrees to add LA Fitness as an additional insured on its comprehensive general liability policy with a limit of \$1,000,000 for bodily injury and property damage, with an insurance company that is satisfactory to LAF. The precise terms of the contract are included in the true and correct copy of the contract attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated by reference herein. Cross-complainant tendered this matter to Core Industries, LLC for defense and indemnification and that tender was rejected.

- 15. Plaintiff alleges personal injuries and other damages allegedly caused by a defect in the design and/or manufacture of a product purchased from Core Industries, LLC by LA Fitness.

 LA Fitness alleges that it is entitled to indemnity from cross-defendants for plaintiff's action.
- 16. Cross-complainant is informed and believes and thereon alleges that plaintiff's damages were not caused by cross-complainant, and the damage, if any, was caused by others including, but not limited to, cross-defendants.
- 17. Cross-complainant is informed and believes and thereon alleges that it is entitled to contractual defense and indemnity from cross-defendants for the claims asserted against it by plaintiff in this action.
- 18. Cross-complainant has retained the services of Manning & Kass, Ellrod, Ramirez, Trester, LLP, to defend the action herein and the prior action by plaintiff, thereby incurring costs, consultants' fees, attorneys' fees and other litigation fees in the defense of this action and in the prosecution of this cross-complaint. Cross-complainant will seek leave of this Court to amend its cross-complaint to show the amount of said costs and attorneys' fees when the same become known to cross-complainant.

FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Breach of Contract against all Cross-Defendants and ROES 1 through 20)

- 19. Cross-complainant LA Fitness realleges each and every allegation contained in the preceding paragraphs of this cross-complaint and incorporates them as though fully set forth.
 - 20. Cross-complainant is informed and believes and thereon alleges that cross-

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complainant entered into a written agreement with cross-defendants on or about July 20, 2011 pursuant to which Core Industries, LLC was to procure insurance coverage naming cross-complainant as and additional insured, providing insurance coverage in favor of cross-complainant for any litigation arising out of the alleged design or manufacturing defect of any products purchased from Core Industries, Inc. by cross-complainant. The precise terms of the contract are included in the true and correct copy of the contract attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated by reference herein.

- 21. Cross-complainant is informed and believes and thereon alleges that cross-complainants failed to procure the insurance coverage for cross-complainant required under the agreement, forcing cross-complainant to pay attorneys fees and costs in defending this litigation.

 As a result, cross-complainant has been damaged in an amount equal to all fees and costs incurred in defending this action.
- 22. Cross-complainant has retained the services of Manning & Kass, Ellrod, Ramirez, Trester, LLP, to defend the action herein and the prior action by plaintiff, thereby incurring costs, consultants' fees, attorneys' fees and other litigation fees in the defense of this action and the prior action by plaintiff and in the prosecution of this cross-complaint. Cross-complainant will seek leave of this Court to amend its cross-complaint to show the amount of said costs and attorneys' fees when the same become known to cross-complainant.

SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Declaratory Relief re Duty to Defend against all Cross-Defendants and ROES 1 through 20)

- 23. Cross-complainant LA Fitness realleges each and every allegation contained in the preceding paragraphs of this cross-complaint and incorporates them as though fully set forth.
- 24. A written contract exists between cross-complainant and each of the cross-defendants. Each said contract is incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth at this point.
- 25. The subject contract contains an express indemnity provision, the terms of which are subject to proof at trial.

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26. A clai	m or loss within the meaning of the subject express indemnity clause as
contained in the above	e-mentioned contracts has arisen by virtue of the fact that the plaintiff has
filed a Complaint aga	inst cross-complainant and cross-defendants claiming injuries and damage
resulting from defect	s in the design and/or manufacture of cross-defendants' products.

27. Cross-defendants, and each of them, have a present duty to defend against any claims arising from or encountered in connection with the defective design or manufacture of cross-defendants' products. Cross-complainant has a present legal right to be provided a defense. California Civil Code, Section 2778, provides, in pertinent part, that:

"In the interpretation of a contract of indemnity, the following rules are to be applied, unless a contrary intention appears:

- 3. An indemnity against claims, or demands, or liability, expressly, or in other equivalent terms, embraces the costs of defense against such claims, demands, or liability incurred in good faith, and in the exercise of a reasonable discretion;
- The person indemnifying is bound, on request of the person indemnified, to defend actions or proceedings brought against the former by the latter in respect to the matters embraced by the indemnity, but the person indemnified has a right to conduct such defenses, if he chooses to do so;"
- 10. Cross-complainant has tendered the defense of this action to all the crossdefendants, and each of them, as referred above."
- 28. A dispute has arisen and an actual controversy now exists between crosscomplainant and the cross-defendants, and each of them, in that cross-complainant contends that it is entitled to a present defense from the cross-defendants, and each of them, while crossdefendants, and each of them, deny such obligations under the contract.

WHEREFORE CROSS-COMPLAINANT prays for judgment as follows:

- 1. Compensatory damages according to proof.
- Total and complete indemnity for any judgments rendered against cross-2. complainant.

- 3. For costs and expenses incurred in the defense of this matter, in the defense of plaintiff's prior action against cross-complainants, and in bringing this cross-complaint, including reasonable attorneys' fees.
 - For such other and further relief as is just and proper. 4.

DATED: March 3, 2016

MANNING & KASS ELLROD, RAMIREZ, TRESTER LLP

By:

Alejandeo Caraveo

Attorneys for Defendant, FITNESS INTERNATIONAL, LLC, erroneously sued as L.A. FITNESS INTERNATIONAL, LLC



July 20, 2011

Mr. Michael Bruno CORE INDUSTRIES INC. 14410 Myford Road Irvine, CA 92606

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LA Fitness Sports Club Purchase Agreement

Dear Michael:

This letter shall serve as our formal Purchase Agreement between LA Fitness International, LLC (LAF) and CORE INDUSTRIES, INC. (CORE) the following terms and conditions:

- 1. Term of agreement is retroactive from January 1, 2011 and concludes on December 31, 2012.
- 2. Products covered under this agreement will include all commercial products.
- 3. Equipment pricing: Percentage discount as well as pricing shown on Exhibit "A", dated July 15, 2011, will remain the same during the term of this agreement. Pricing for any new product not included on Exhibit "A" will be negotiated at the time of its introduction. Price proposals may also be submitted, on a per project basis, as requested and mutually agreed to by LAF and CORE.
- 4. Any new product that replaces a similar product, will receive the same pricing as the discontinued item.
- 5. Equipment ordered for pre-sale locations will receive the same pricing as the permanent location. If CORE chooses to be part of the presale locations, then when the permanent facility is opened, CORE will relocate the presale equipment to the permanent facility at no cost to LAF.

- 6. No guaranteed orders or minimum purchase amounts will be given by LAF.
- Showcase locations and equipment mix will be determined by LAF. For each showcase order, CORE will include 10 free TBT's (inclusive of freight, install and tax) to be traded out at existing LAF locations.
- Freight, delivery and installation charges will be determined using the most efficient and cost effective means for LAF. Please refer to attached freight schedule, Exhibit "B", dated July 15, 2011 which is made part of this agreement.
- CORE agrees to have a responsible supervisory representative on-site to
 oversee the delivery and installation. This representative will identify any
 problems and ensure that they are resolved prior to the LAF facility
 opening.
- 10. All equipment is to be installed per LAF floor plan. LAF will dictate the time frames for delivery, installation and completion schedule. CORE will be required to complete installation within two days. No additional compensation for overtime or weekend work will be given to meet the delivery and installation schedule as dictated by LAF. LAF will not pay additional charges for difficult deliveries or for installations that involve stairs. CORE will provide the appropriate amount of qualified manpower to meet each schedule. Installation will not be considered complete until it's signed off by LAF management.
- 11. CORE does hereby agree to defend and indemnify LAF for any claim or injury, including attorney's fees, which arises from a design or manufacturing defect. CORE agrees to add LAF as an additional insured as evidenced on a Certificate of Insurance that CORE will provide to LAF with a limit of \$1,000,000 for bodily injury and property damage, with an insurance company that is satisfactory to LAF.
- 12. Warranty: CORE agrees to warrant all equipment from the date of acceptance. Please refer to the attached warranty agreement, Exhibit "C", dated July 15, 2011 which is made part of this agreement.
- 13. LAF requires warranty service to be provided within 48 hours of request to the manufacturer. In the event that the manufacturer's factory service technician or authorized warranty service provider does not arrive at the LAF facility within four days (Sundays excepted) of written request, parts

and labor warranty coverage for the equipment item(s) requiring service will be extended by six months. For each subsequent four days that service is delayed, warranty will extend an additional six months.

- 14. CORE agrees that LA Fitness may assign all equipment warranty rights LA Fitness has under the Purchase Agreement relating to the equipment and all other rights LA Fitness has under this Agreement. CORE agrees to execute any and all documents of assignment that LA Fitness and any assignee that LA Fitness may request.
- 15. CORE agrees that any large-scale updates of hardware or software that are found to be necessary to make a product safer or more reliable will include labor coverage.
- 16. Parts for all equipment (owned prior to this Purchase Agreement or purchased during this Purchase Agreement) during the life of the equipment will be sold to LAF or its assigns, successors, or equipment maintenance company at 50% off list price. Specific parts identified in Exhibit "C" will be sold at prices indicated in the Exhibit. Additional special parts pricing may be mutually agreed on from time to time between CORE and LAF
- 17. For parts purchases, LAF will be responsible only for freight carrier standard rates that apply to the mode of shipment we request (i.e., Overnight, 2nd Day, Surface, etc.). LAF will not pay service charges, handling fees, etc.
- 18. CORE will ship parts overnight at no additional cost to LAF in the event that parts are not shipped from CORE's facility within 48 hours of LAF's placement of order. Additionally, CORE will ship correct parts immediately, overnight, if an original shipment contained incorrect items and fault for the error was with CORE.
- 19. All purchase orders will be issued 6 weeks prior to installation date and 4 weeks in advance for pre-sale locations. CORE is responsible for completing site surveys.
- 20. Payment terms: Payment will be NET 30 days, from the later to occur; a complete order is installed in the facility and receipt of a correct invoice. LAF financial statements will not be provided to vendors.

- 22. Sales Tax: It is the understanding of LAF that all equipment and part purchases made by LAF are subject to sales tax. CORE is responsible for reporting and paying sales tax to the tax authority having jurisdiction over the LAF facility for which the equipment is purchased. In the event that CORE does not have a sales tax license for tax authority in the jurisdiction of the sale, it is CORE's responsibility to apply and obtain a sales tax license from the taxing authority.
- 23. Equipment is not the property of LAF until it is delivered, installed, debris removed, and accepted by LAF
- 24. The terms of this agreement are confidential.
- 25. The LAF Irvine South showcase Purchase Order will be issued to CORE by July 29, 2011. This complete order will be delivered and stored in the Irvine CORE facility by November 15, 2011. Included in this showcase order are upright and recumbent bikes. If, during the first 3 years of use, LAF determines that there are serious design or manufacturing defects with the bikes, CORE will trade out the bikes at no cost to LAF. Also with this order, CORE will provide 20% replacement parts for the bike units. These parts will be mutually agreed upon by LAF and CORE.

Please sign both original agreements in the space provided below and return both originals to my attention. I will forward one executed original back to you for your files.

Sincerely,

Peter Bissell

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

I am employed in the County of Los Angeles, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action; my business address is 801 South Figueroa Street, 15th Floor, Los Angeles, California 90017.

On March 30, 2016, I served the document described as SUMMONS ON CROSS-COMPLAINT AND CROSS-COMPLAINT OF FITNESS INTERNATIONAL, LLC AGAINST CORE INDUSTRIES, LLC on the interested parties in this action by placing true copies thereof enclosed in sealed envelopes addressed as follows:

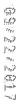
> Eric L. Webb, Esq. Brian G. Beecher, Esq. 6253 Hollywood Boulevard, Suite 203 Los Angeles, CA 90028 (323) 462-3736 (323) 462-3732 - Fax Counsel for Plaintiff, Manuel Rodriguez

Michael E. Gallagher, Eso. Paul D. Rasmussen, Esq. Jonquil L. Whitehead, Esq. Bassi, Edlin, Hui & Blum, LLP 333 S. Hope Street, 35th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071 (213) 412-2661 (213) 652-1992 - Fax Attorneys for Defendant Core Industries, LLC

- X (BY MAIL) I caused such envelope to be deposited in the mail at Los Angeles, California. The envelope was mailed with postage thereon fully prepaid. I placed such envelope with postage thereon prepaid in the United States mail at Los Angeles, California. I am "readily familiar" with the firm's practice of collection and processing correspondence for mailing. Under that practice it would be deposited with the U.S. postal service on that same day with postage thereon fully prepaid at Los Angeles, California in the ordinary course of business. I am aware that on motion of the party served, service is presumed invalid if postal cancellation date or postage meter date is more than one day after date of deposit for mailing in affidavit.
- X (STATE) I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct.

Executed on March 30, 2016 at Los Angeles, California.

09/22/2017





AlG Property Casualty -- Concord, CA P.O. Box 25588 Shawnee Mission, KS 66225

November 11, 2015

VIA U.S. MAIL (Return Receipt Requested)

Reed Brown, General Counsel Core Industries, LLC 4400 NE 77th Avenue, Suite 300 Vancouver, WA 98662

RE:

Manuel Rodriguez v. Fitness International, LLC, et al.,

Los Angeles Superior Court, Case No. BC532963 (hereinafter, "Lawsuit")

Insured: Core Industries, LLC Claimant: Manuel Rodriguez Policy Not: 536-16-09 Claim No.:

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Dear Mr. Brown:

AIG Claims, Inc. ("AIG Claims") is the authorized representative for National Union Fire Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, Pa. ("National Union") regarding the above-referenced Commercial General Liability Policy ("Policy") issued to Core Industries, LLC. Please be advised that this correspondence serves to acknowledge receipt of a letter that LA Fitness International, LLC issued to Michael Bruno at Core Industries, Inc., dated May 20, 2014, in which Fitness tendered defense of the above-referenced Lawsuit to Core for equitable and contractual indemnity pursuant to a Purchase Agreement dated July 20, 2011, and to Core's insurance carrier for contractual indemnity, and which you in turn tendered to National Union for defense and indemnity.

Michael S. Morse,

Direct - 925-681-3627 Fax -866-299-9003 Michael.morse@aig.com

Director

Now that facts in the Lawsuit have developed based upon allegations in the Second Amended Complaint, the purpose of this letter is to provide you with National Union's position regarding Core's insurance coverage under the Policy as it relates to the Lawsuit. I am the adjuster handling this matter and all future correspondence should be directed to my attention.

Please be advised, National Union is also sending a coverage position letter to Fitness concerning Fitness's insurance coverage under the Policy for the Lawsuit. In short, based upon the Purchase Agreement between Fitness and Core and an additional insured endorsement in the Policy, Fitness's status as an additional insured is limited to its liability arising out of Core's operations as a fitness equipment manufacturer for Core's design or manufacturing defects, if any. Based upon the allegations in Plaintiff's Lawsuit, it does not appear that Plaintiff is seeking to hold Fitness liable for Core's operations, i.e., for Core's design or manufacturing defects. Rather, Plaintiff is seeking to hold Fitness liable for its own negligence, gross negligence, premises liability in failing to inspect, maintain, and warn concerning the crossover machine, and when Fitness allegedly was on notice that the machine had caused injuries to other Fitness patrons. Therefore, there is no coverage for Fitness based upon the allegations in the Second Amended Complaint.

In addition, under the National Union Policy, even to the extent Fitness qualifies as an additional insured, National Union does not have a duty to defend Fitness under the Policy. The Policy contains a "Self-Insured Retention Endorsement," which specifically states that National Union has the right, but not the duty to defend Fitness. As a result, as will be discussed in greater detail below, the defense that National Union understands Core is providing to Fitness is not covered under the Policy. We note that on November 8, 2015, Core sent us an update on Core's \$150,000 retained limit and notified us that you have exceeded such retained limit. Under the Policy, the defense costs that Core has been providing to Fitness do not erode the retained limit. However, as a matter of good faith and without waiver of any provisions under the Policy, we will consider the \$150,000 retained limit met.

As to any claim for coverage that Core may have under the National Union Policy, our coverage position is summarized below. We expect that you may have questions after reading this letter regarding our coverage position and the practical impact of our reservation of rights. Please feel free to contact me regarding any questions you may have regarding our coverage position.

In considering the request for coverage, we have reviewed the Policy referenced above, the allegations asserted against Core in the Lawsuit, and the Purchase Agreement between Fitness and Core dated July 20, 2011. No other policies were considered. If you assert a right to coverage under another policy issued by National Union or any other member company of American International Group, Inc., please submit notice pursuant to the notice provisions contained in that policy. In addition, if you are served with any further complaints regarding this matter, please forward them to my attention as soon as possible and we will review any such subsequent complaint(s) for potential coverage under the terms of the Policy.

ALLEGATIONS OF THE SECOND AMENDED COMPLAINT

Based on the information we have received to date, the following sets forth a summary of the allegations of the claims asserted in the Lawsuit. Our summary of the allegations in no way implies that we believe that the allegations asserted by the Plaintiff are true or deserve merit.

This matter arises from Plaintiff filing a Second Amended Complaint on or about January 12, 2015, in Los Angeles Superior Court for numerous claims against Fitness International, LLC; Core Industries, LLC; and Does 1-20. As to Fitness, Plaintiff asserts the following claims: 1) gross negligence; 2) general negligence; 3) premises liability; and 4) premises liability – willful failure to warn. As to Core, Plaintiff asserts the following claims: 1) strict liability – manufacturing defect; 2) strict liability – design defect; 3) negligent failure to recall/retrofit; and 4) intentional failure to recall/retrofit.

Plaintiff alleges that Core is a designer and distributor of a workout machine known as a "crossover machine" that Core sells to consumers. Plaintiff alleges that Fitness purchased a set of three crossover machines and installed the machines at one of its health clubs located in Van Nuys, California in approximately late 2012.

Plaintiff alleges that on November 18, 2013, he suffered severe injuries, including, but not limited to head and brain injuries as a result of dangers, manufacturing defects, and design defects that were known to Fitness and Core, as well as based upon Fitness's gross negligence, and Core's failure to recall/retrofit the Core crossover machines (and specifically the Core crossover machine at the Van Nuys location) that cut Plaintiff's head open, injured his head and brain, and caused him permanent scarring, among other injuries.

According to Plaintiff, Defendants had been aware since approximately February 2013, that the Core crossover machines had manufacturing and design defects and were dangerous for use by Fitness's patrons. Plaintiff further alleges that Defendants were aware that the Core crossover machines contained defects in connection with the heavy steel carriages of the machines, and that these defects were not recognizable by an average and reasonable user of the Core crossover machine. Further, Plaintiff alleges that Defendants were aware that the carriages in the machine became worn out and required replacing after approximately three months in order to prevent injuries to users of the Core crossover machines.

Plaintiff alleges that Fitness was aware that the crossover machine that eventually caused Plaintiff's injuries (the "Rodriguez crossover machine") had not had its carriage replaced for approximately seven months. According to Plaintiff, Fitness was aware that when one of the Core crossover machines at the Van Nuys location demonstrated defects and/or problems and/or demonstrated that it was worn out, that it was important to replace the carriage on all of the Core crossover machines at the Van Nuys location in order to prevent injuries to user of the machines. Plaintiff further alleges that Fitness was aware that when there were complaints and/or complaints of injuries caused by one of the Core crossover machines at the Van Nuys location, that it was important to replace the carriage on all of the Core crossover machines at the Van Nuys location in order to prevent injuries to users of the machines.

Plaintiff also alleges that Fitness was aware that when there were complaints and/or complaints of injuries caused by one of the Core crossover machines at the Van Nuys location, that it was important for Fitness to notify Fitness employee, John Baki – (because John Baki was the only employee of Fitness that was able to inspect, evaluate, and/or repair the crossover machines at the Van Nuys Location) – in order to prevent injuries to users of the machines. According to Plaintiff, Fitness was aware that when there were complaints and/or complaints of injuries caused by one of the crossover machines at the Van Nuys location, that it was important for John Baki to then replace the carriage on all of the crossover machines at the Van Nuys location in order to prevent injuries to users of the machines.

Plaintiff alleges that Fitness was aware that when there were complaints and/or complaints of injuries caused by one of the crossover machines at the Van Nuys location, that it was important that Fitness follow Core's instructions to properly notify Core of a problem and/or incident of injury with the carriage of a crossover machine. In addition, Plaintiff alleges that Fitness was aware that when there were complaints and/or complaints of injuries caused by one of the crossover machines at the Van Nuys location, that it was important that Fitness follow Core's instructions to forbid any further use in any of the crossover machines until after there was an inspection of all of the crossover machines at the Van Nuys location and remediation of the problem(s) found and/or replacement of defective or worn out parts.

Plaintiff alleges that Fitness had been aware since September 16, 2013, that a third party ("Acosta") had sustained injuries at the Van Nuys location from using the defective and dangerous crossover machine. Plaintiff further alleges that Fitness had been aware since September 2013, that Acosta attributed his injuries from the crossover machine to dangers and defects in the carriage of the crossover machine. Plaintiff alleges that in September 2013, Acosta informed Fitness that the crossover machines (including the Rodriguez crossover machine) were not safe for use, and that Fitness's acts and/or omissions in allowing further use of the crossover machines at the Van Nuys locations—without proper notice, warning, repair, and/or restriction—would result in future injury to Fitness's patrons.

Plaintiff further alleges that Fitness had been aware since November 6, 2013, that another third party ("Perez") had sustained injuries at the Van Nuys location from the defective and dangerous crossover machines. According to Plaintiff, Fitness had been aware since November 6, 2013, that Perez attributed his injuries from the crossover machine to dangers and defects in the carriage of the crossover machine.

Plaintiff alleges that starting on November 6, 2013, and prior to Plaintiff's November 18, 2013, incident, Perez informed Fitness that the crossover machines (and including the Rodriguez crossover machine) were not safe for use, and that Fitness's acts and/or omissions in allowing further use of the Core crossover machines at the Van Nuys location—without proper notice, warning, repair, and/or restriction—would result in future injury to Fitness's patrons.

According to Plaintiff, Fitness essentially ignored repeated injuries, complaints, and admonishments from its patrons that the crossover machines (including the Rodriguez crossover machine) were in a dangerous condition and would likely cause future injuries to patrons, and Fitness failed to provide any sufficient warning, notice, and/or take any proper action to prevent injuries to Plaintiff.

As a result of Defendants' action, Plaintiff alleges that he sustained injuries, including, but not limited to his head, brain, and permanent scarring on November 18, 2013, as a result of his use of the crossover machine.

In his prayer for relief, plaintiff requests the following: 1) compensatory damages, as proven at trial, but in excess of \$25,000; 2) general and special damages, as proven at trial, but in excess of \$25,000; 3) non-economic damages according to proof at the time of trial, including pain and suffering; 4) lost wages, according to proof at time of trial; 5) loss of earning capacity; 6) past and future medical expenses; 7) damages according to proof at trial, as permitted by law; 8) costs of suit, as permitted by law; 9) punitive and exemplary damages; 10) prejudgment and post-judgment interest to the extent permitted by law; and 11) further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

ADDITIONAL RELEVANT FACTS AND INFORMATION

In a letter dated May 20, 2014, Fitness tendered the defense of the Lawsuit to Core. The tender letter advised Core that Fitness entered into a Purchase Agreement with Core on July 20, 2011, to purchase exercise equipment, including the crossover machine that ultimately injured Plaintiff. Fitness tendered defense and indemnity of the Lawsuit to Core subject to a provision in the Purchase Agreement which states as follows:

11. CORE does hereby agree to defend and indemnify LAF for any claim or injury, including attorney's fees, which arises from a design or manufacturing defect. CORE agrees to add LAF as an additional insured as evidenced on a Certificate of Insurance that CORE will provide to LAF with a limit of \$1,000,000 for bodily injury and property damage, with an insurance company that is satisfactory to LAF.

Once again, at this point, National Union understands that Core is providing Fitness with a defense to the allegations in the Lawsuit. However, Core and not National Union is providing Fitness with such defense, as the Policy does not entitle Fitness to a defense.

THE POLICY

National Union issued a Commercial General Liability Policy to Core Fitness, LLC, policy number 536-16-09, beginning on August 1, 2013, and ending on August 1, 2014. By endorsement, Core Industries, LLC, and Core Industries, Inc., are also Named Insureds under the Policy. The Policy's Limits of Insurance total \$1,000,000 for each occurrence and \$2,000,000 general aggregate.

Please see Exhibit A attached to this correspondence, in which we provide certain policy provisions contained in the National Union Policy, which may be applicable to the claims in this matter. Please note, however, that our inclusion of the policy provisions in Exhibit A is only a partial recitation of the terms, conditions, limitations, and exclusions contained in the subject Policy. Such discussion is not intended to supplement, amend, supersede or otherwise alter the National Union Policy. Moreover, National Union does not intend to waive any provisions of the Policy by virtue of this discussion.

COVERAGE POSITION

In order for coverage to potentially apply to Core's claim for coverage under the Policy for the allegations asserted against it in Plaintiff's Lawsuit, Core must qualify as an "insured." Pursuant to a "Named Insured Endorsement" in the Policy, both Core Industries, Inc., and Core Industries, LLC qualify as Named Insureds under the Policy and are potentially entitled to coverage for the allegations asserted against Core in the Lawsuit, subject to the terms, conditions, and exclusions of the Policy.

In part, pursuant to the Policy's "Self-Insured Retention Endorsement," Core is potentially entitled to coverage for those sums in excess of the "Retained Limit" that Core becomes legally obligated to pay as damages because of "bodily injury" to which the Policy applies. The Policy states that "[n]o other obligation or liability to pay sums or perform acts or services is covered unless explicitly provided for under ALLOCATED LOSS ADJUSTMENT EXPENSES – COVERAGES A AND B." In addition, the insuring agreement of the Policy states that the insurance applies to "bodily injury" only if the "bodily injury" is caused by an "occurrence" that takes place during the policy period, as those terms are defined by the Policy.

The Policy's "Retained Limit" applying to damages for "occurrences" covered under the Policy is \$150,000 per occurrence. Pursuant to the Policy, Core is responsible for 100% of the "Allocated Loss Adjustment Expenses" up to the Policy's \$150,000 "Retained Limit," but the most Core is responsible for with respect to damages and "Allocated Loss Adjustment Expenses" combined shall not exceed the Policy's "Retained Limit," subject to the Policy's terms, conditions, and provisions regarding limits of insurance. In part, "Allocated Loss Adjustment Expenses" includes "all fees for services of process and court costs and court expenses; pre and post-judgment interest; attorneys' fees;...costs of employing experts;...and any similar fee, cost or expense reasonably chargeable to the investigation, negotiation, settlement or defense of a loss or a claim or a 'suit' against vol..."

National Union understands that Core is defending itself against the allegations asserted by Plaintiff in the Lawsuit, since such amount has been within the Retained Limit. Under the Policy, National Union does not have a duty to defend Core, but will pay Allocated Loss Adjustment Expenses, as that term is defined in the Policy, now that the Retained Limit has been met. National Union requests that Core continue to keep National Union apprised of developments in the cost of Core's defense to the allegations in the Lawsuit as it relates to Allocated Loss Adjustment Expenses.

As mentioned above, National Union also understands that Core is defending Fitness concerning the Lawsuit. However, as it relates to a potential additional insured, under the terms and conditions of the Self-Insured Endorsement, the Policy specifically states that National Union has the right, but not the duty to defend any suit seeking damages because of "bodily injury" to which the Policy applies. Once again, the defense costs that Core has been providing to Fitness do not erode the retained limit. However, as we noted above, as a matter of good faith and without waiver of any provisions under the Policy, we will consider the \$150,000 retained limit met, but National Union will have no ongoing duty to cover the costs of defending Fitness.

At this point, neither Core, nor Fitness have been found legally obligated to pay damages for "bodily injury" to Plaintiff because of Core's operations as a fitness equipment manufacturer for Core's design or manufacturing defects, if any, in the subject crossover machine. As noted above, subject to the terms, conditions, and exclusions in the Policy, Core is potentially entitled to coverage for the allegations asserted against it by Plaintiff in the Lawsuit, to the extent Core is held liable to pay damages for "bodily injury" to Plaintiff because of Core's operations. In addition, in the event Fitness sues Core to enforce the terms of the Purchase Agreement, Core is potentially entitled to coverage for the liability it has to Fitness as a result of its operations as a fitness equipment manufacturer for design or manufacturing defects causing "bodily injury" to Plaintiff. However, at this time, National Union understands that Fitness has not filed suit or any cross-claims against Core concerning this matter. As a result, National Union's coverage position regarding this issue is preliminary and subject to the terms, conditions, and exclusions of the

Policy, and subject to a complete reservation of rights. National Union requests that Core notify National Union immediately in the event that Fitness files a lawsuit or cross-claim against Core concerning this matter.

Even to the extent Core becomes legally obligated to pay Plaintiff damages because of "bodily injury" because of an "occurrence," certain exclusions may apply to exclude coverage, which we discuss below.

Exclusion a. Expected or Intended: There is no coverage under the Policy for "bodily injury" expected or intended from the standpoint of the insured. In the Lawsuit, Plaintiff alleges that Core knew that an integral mechanism in the crossover machines would wear out and need replacement within 3 months of use. Plaintiff further alleges that Core knew that the crossover machine was defective and unsafe for use by Plaintiff and that the machine did not include sufficient instructions and/or warnings of potential safety hazards and design defects. Plaintiff alleges that Core was aware of the problems with the crossover machines, but did not recall or retrofit the machines, and that Core's actions resulted in Plaintiff's bodily injuries. As a result, to the extent the allegations in the Lawsuit indicate that Plaintiff's bodily injuries were expected or intended by Core, there is no coverage under the National Union Policy and National Union reserves the right to deny coverage to Core based upon this exclusion.

Exclusion n. Recall Of Products, Work Or Impaired Property: The Policy excludes coverage for any loss, cost or expense incurred by Core or others for the loss of use, withdrawal, recall, inspection, repair, replacement, adjustment, removal or disposal of: (1) "Your Product";...if any such product...is withdrawn or recalled from the market or from use by any person or organization because of a known or suspected defect, deficiency, inadequacy or dangerous condition in it. At this point, it does not appear that there is any specific claim for damages related to a recall of the crossover machines. However, to the extent facts or allegations develop related to such a claim for damages, National Union reserves the right to deny coverage for such claim based upon this exclusion.

Exclusion – Designated Professional Services: By endorsement, concerning any professional services of the named insured, the Policy excludes coverage for "bodily injury" "due to the rendering of or failure to render any professional service." Pursuant to the endorsement, the "exclusion applies even if the claims against any insured allege negligence or other wrongdoing in the supervision, hiring, employment, training or monitoring of others by that insured, if the 'occurrence' which caused the 'bodily injury'...involved the rendering of or failure to render any professional service." To the extent Core seeks to be indemnified for such damage, National Union reserves the right to deny a duty to indemnify Core for such damage.

Please be advised, the Policy also potentially provides coverage for medical expenses in excess of the "Retained Limit" for "bodily injury" caused by an accident, subject to the terms and conditions, and limits of insurance of the Policy. See, Section I, Coverage C – Medical Payments, as modified by Self-Insured Retention Endorsement. We note however, that Coverage C contains an exclusion related to "Athletic Activities," which states that National Union will not pay expenses for "bodily injury" "[t]o a person injured while practicing, instructing or participating in any physical exercises or games, sports, or athletic contests." See, Section I, Coverage C – Medical Payments, Exclusion e. Concerning Coverage C, National Union reserves the right to deny coverage for any claimed expense for "bodily injury" to Plaintiff to the extent he was injured while practicing or participating in a physical exercise, as discussed in Exclusion e.

In addition, Coverage C states that National Union will not pay expenses for "bodily injury" "[e]xcuded under Coverage A." See, Section I, Coverage C – Medical Payments, Exclusion g. As discussed above, concerning Coverage A., the Policy contains the following exclusions: 1) Exclusion a. Expected or Intended; 2) Exclusion n. Recall Of Products, Work Or Impaired Property; and 3) Exclusion – Designated Professional Services. To the extent there is no coverage under Coverage A based upon application of these exclusions, there is also no coverage under Coverage C, and National Union reserves its right to deny coverage based upon these exclusions in the Policy.

The Policy also contains various conditions and duties precedent to coverage. In this regard, the Policy states that "[n]o insured will, except at that insured's own cost, voluntarily make a payment, assume any obligation, or incur any expense, other than for first aid, without [National Union's] consent." See, Section IV. 2.d. National Union reserves the right to deny coverage to the extent Core does not comply with this provision of the Policy. In addition, please reference Section IV. 2. regarding Core's duties to cooperate and provide information to National Union under the terms and conditions of the Policy.

Please be advised, National Union reserves the right to file an action for declaratory relief to determine the rights and duties under the Policy. National Union's coverage position is based on the information presently available to us. Nothing contained in this correspondence should be construed as a waiver of any rights or defenses, which National Union possesses under the terms, conditions, and exclusions contained in the applicable Policy and law. Investigation conducted by National Union regarding the above-referenced Lawsuit is subject to all terms, conditions, provisions, and limitations of the Policy. Any action

Should you have any additional information with respect to this matter that you believe would either cause us to review our coverage position or would assist us in our investigation or determination, we ask that you advise us as soon as possible. In addition, if you are served with any additional demands or amended complaints or pleadings, please forward them to us immediately, so that we are able to review our coverage position.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this correspondence, then please feel free to contact the undersigned to discuss the same. Thank you in advance for your attention and cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Michael Morse

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Re: Rodriguez, Manual v. Core Industries LLC, et al.
Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. BC532963
Agreed-to Litigation Plan/Pre-Trial Report

Claims Professionals: Michael Morse	Date: September 6, 2016
Lawyers: Michael E. Gallagher	Version: One (1)
Insured: Core Industries, LLC	Date of Prior ATLP: February 17, 2016
Other Parties Representing: None	Venue: Los Angeles County Superior Court
Claimants: Manuel Rodriguez	Remaining Budget Through Trial: \$340,330
Claim Number: 2584495128US	Probable Ultimate Total Legal Cost: \$650,000 (this does not include what was incurred by prior counsel)
Date of Loss: November 18, 2013	Projected Trial Date: May 2, 2016

Dear Mr. Morse:

This shall serve as our combined Agreed-to Litigation Plan ("ATLP") at Pre-Trial Report, and our anticipated budget in connection with our representation of your insured, Core Industries, LLC ("Core"), in the above-referenced matter. Accordingly, this ATLP will set forth our analysis of this matter, as well as our anticipated activity and estimated budget for the remaining stages of the case through trial. Please be aware, however, that additional information will undoubtedly be discovered as we move forward, which may require us to modify our activities and/or revise the budget provided below.

I. Executive Summary

This case arises out of the alleged injuries and damages suffered by Plaintiff Manuel Rodriguez ("Plaintiff") as a result of an exercise equipment malfunction on November 18, 2013. Plaintiff alleges he was using the Core crossover machine at a Fitness International facility ("Fitness") when the machine malfunctioned causing a part - the carriage assembly - to fall and hit him on the top of his head. Two prior incidents are also alleged in the Complaint, and were testified to, which occurred within two months of the subject incident. Based on these prior incidents, Plaintiff is alleging the Core crossover machine was defective and Core and Fitness were on notice of this dangerous condition. Plaintiff seeks damages for past, present, and future medical expenses, lost future earning capacity, pain and suffering and punitive damages.

II. Trial Specifics

Venue, Jurisdictional Considerations, Judge, Probable Jury: The case is venued in Los Angeles County Superior Court at the Van Nuys Courthouse, California. The Honorable Rick Brown is the assigned judge. Based on our experience in this matter, we evaluate Judge Brown as an experienced judge, but he definitely appears to be siding with Plaintiff on most motions and discovery disputes. Note also that, on occasion, the Honorable Lawrence Riff recently ruled on Core's demurrer and motion strike. While the motions were denied, he appeared much more balanced than Judge Brown, and he certainly exercised his authority in keeping plaintiff in check. The jury pool in Los Angeles County is generally considered liberal. As such, Los Angeles County juries can be unpredictable in personal injury cases.

Name and Evaluation of Plaintiffs' Counsel and Other Counsel: Plaintiffs are represented by Eric L. Webb, Esq., and Brian Beecher, Esq., of Webb & Beecher. Beecher has been the lead attorney for Plaintiff in this matter since the outset, Webb, on the other hand, has played a limited role in this matter, but is generally the one who takes lead on settlement negotiations. Fitness International, LLC ("Fitness") is represented by Anthony J. Ellrod, Esq., and Alex Caraveo, Esq., of Manning, Kass, Ellrod, Ramirez & Trester LLP.

What attorney will try the case for the insured: Michael E. Gallagher of Bassi, Edlin, Huie & Blum LLP. Mr. Gallagher will be supported by several others within the firm, and will likely have Noel Edlin or Fred Blum first chair at trial.

Will a representative of the insured attend the trial? Yes. We expect a representative from Core will attend trial because it demonstrates to the Judge and jury that the insured takes the matter seriously, as well as humanizes the insured. We will work with Core to determine the appropriate person for attending the trial.

III. Facts

General Overview of the Facts:

Plaintiff alleges that on November 18, 2013, he was exercising at a Fitness facility in Van Nuys, California. While using a Core cable crossover machine, the machine malfunctioned and the carriage assembly fell and hit him on the top of his head, which resulted in a laceration and multiple staples to close the wound. He now claims to suffer from head, brain, back and neck injuries, and tinnitus; Plaintiff also has a scar from the laceration, and now suffers from depression as a result of the incident given the way he looks as a result of the scar, and because he believes he suffered brain damage as a result.

Plaintiff also claims that in the two months prior to the subject incident, two other individuals, Marcial Perez and Mario Acosta, were injured by the same type of machine at the Fitness facility. Fitness was immediately notified of the two injuries due to the alleged same malfunction of the Core cable crossover machine. However, Fitness failed to notify Core of these prior two injuries until *after* the subject incident. The first time Core generally became aware of incidents at the Fitness facilities involving its cable crossover machine was in early December 2013. Thereafter, Fitness notified Core of the Acosta incident approximately one year later, in November 2014. Core was not notified of the Perez incident until after the onset of litigation.

Core sent a third party vendor, Glide, to replace parts on these same machines approximately three months before the subject incident, in August, 2013. After the incidents at Fitness, Fitness requested replacement of the carriage assemblies on all the crossover machines in December 2013. Core relied on Fitness to inspect the equipment regularly and notify Core of any issues with the machines. However, Plaintiff alleges Core was aware that the particular parts on the Core crossover machine would wear out after three months and was, therefore, defective in design. Plaintiff alleges, relying on testimony from the Vice President of Quality at Core, that Core was aware in February 2013 that the Core crossover machine had design/manufacturing defects. Plaintiff also claims that with this knowledge, Core should have recalled or retrofitted the Core crossover machines.

The following is a timeline of significant events that may impact Core's liability in this matter:

- May 2011: The design of the pin was changed to different material, stainless steel, and the spring in the carriage was changed to a different tolerance.
- January 27, 2012: Core is made aware of an incident on a different type of machine, a dual adjustable pulley machine, in Samsung, Korea (Incident #1). It appears a wheel in the carriage assembly similar in design to the carriage assembly involved in this matter broke during use that resulted in injury. Core sent new wheels to the company in Korea in June 2012, then contacted the manufacturer. The wheels used in the carriage assembly at the time were mold injected, and found to be very porous which likely resulted from the manufacturer rushing the cooling process. Core then contacted the manufacturer in China to ensure corrective action.
- August 14, 2012: Another incident, also involving the dual adjustable pulley machine, occurred in Clearwater, Florida (Incident #2).
- September 2012: Improvements were made to increase the tolerance of the spring, increase the strength of the pin and use molded/machined wheels. A test report was completed on the newly designed spring, pin and wheels.
- October 28, 2012: There is another incident at Crunch in El Cajon, California, involving Robert Bingham (Incident #3). This is the first incident involving the crossover machine Core is made aware of. Core receives pictures and a video of a failed unit with mention of an injury. An internal privileged email, that has not been disclosed, to Joe Travers, VP of Quality at Core, states that "this is becoming a pattern" and that the rollers are "defective" and the "pin material is too soft."
- November 4, 2012: Mr. Travers recommends a risk review be completed due to the Robert Bingham incident.
- December 16, 2012: The spring and wheel change went into effect and approval is given to air ship the new parts to customers in January 2013.
- January 29, 2013: The Core crossover machines are installed at Fitness in Van Nuys, California.

Documentation related to the dual adjustable pulley machine was not disclosed in discovery as it is irrelevant to the crossover machine. However, the correspondence is referenced herein as it discusses similar wheels that were at issue.

- June 7, 2013: Core sent a bulletin with instructions to conduct a field upgrade.
- July 2013: Core learns the injection molded wheels are breaking, yet continues with upgrade.
- August 2013: Core replaces the carriage assembly on the Fitness Machines.
- September 1, 2013: Manufacturer changed from injection molded wheels to machined billet wheels.
- September 16, 2013: Mario Acosta is injured at Fitness on a Core crossover machine (Incident #4). Fitness is immediately notified. Core is not made aware until November 2014.
- October 2013: Core learns the molded wheels and the pins are not being manufactured to specification. The next month, Core moves to update the materials and hardness of the pin.
- November 6, 2013: Marcial Perez is injured at Fitness on a Core crossover machine (Incident #5). Fitness is immediately notified. Core first becomes aware after Mr. Perez is deposed in this case April 8, 2014.
- November 18, 2013: The subject incident occurs (Incident #6).
- December 2013: Core again replaces the carriage assembly on crossover machines.
- March and April, 2014: New products are designed and produced. Land
 America begins outsourcing through a third party the manufacture of the
 wheels. Upon inspection, Core learned the wheels are porous in nature, thus
 injection molded and not up to specifications.
- November 2014: Land America is asked to purchase its wheels from Core until it can find a qualified supplier that will meet specifications.

Summary of Expected Facts in Support of Plaintiff's Case & in Rebuttal to Defendant's Case:

Plaintiff will likely argue or attempt to argue the following in support is his case.

- Core was aware of prior incidents with its cable crossover machines, which resulted in similar injuries to users of the machine.
- Core, in response to these prior incidents, should have warned all of its customers

of these events and the potential for injury, and provided additional safeguards and/or warnings to its customers in an effort to prevent further similar incidents from occurring.

- Core, in response to these incidents, should have redesigned the cable crossover machine to prevent further similar incidents from occurring.
- Core, in response to these incidents, should have instructed its customers to take the cable crossover machines out of service until it could be demonstrated that this type of malfunction could not happen again.
- Given these events, it is evidence that Core's cable crossover is unsafe as designed, and/or is defective in the way was manufactured.

These are a few of the arguments we have heard Plaintiff's counsel assert over the course of the litigation.

Summary of Expected Facts in Support of Insured Defendant's Case & In Rebuttal to Plaintiff's Case:

Our response to Plaintiff's arguments are as follows:

- Core was only aware of one prior similar incident involving a cable crossover machine. There were two other incidents involving a different machine, a dual adjustable pulley, but this machine has a similarly designed carriage assembly. In response to these incidents, the carriage assembly was upgraded with billet wheels and stronger pull pins, which were the suspected reason for the carriage assembly failing in these prior incidents.
- The subject incident involving Plaintiff involved the redesigned/upgraded carriage assembly (although, upon inspection, the parts in the subject carriage assembly (wheels, pull pin and spring) may have been replaced with new parts, but not upgraded parts)
- Core's analysis of the carriage assembly involved in the subject incident involving Plaintiff reveals that neither the wheels nor pin were defective or the cause of the incident.
- Core's analysis of the spring in the pull pin of the carriage assemble reveals that the spring is in need of replacement due to use/wear and tear; not because of a defect
- Core's cable crossover machine contained a warning to all users of its machine that read as follows:



Carriage Will Fall If
Pull-pin Is Not
Fully Engaged.
To Avoid Injury
Ensure Full
Engagement Of
Pull-pin.

- Core's expert inspected the machine, during which he simulated a workout in an
 effort to re-create the incident. During the course of this inspection, the carriage
 assembly only failed when the pull pin was not engaged correctly; when the pullpen was engaged correctly, the carriage assembly never failed.
- Core will also argue, through its experts, that there is no safer design of the cable
 crossover machine, that it is indeed state of the art; that any secondary safety
 device to insure that carriage assembly will not fail, will likely never be used and
 is entirely dependent on the user to make sure it is used.
- Core will also argue that, had Fitness maintained the machine correctly, the subject incident would likely have never happened as the spring would have been replaced as needed, and when the spring is under the proper tension, the carriage assembly will catch in the next setting in the event the user fails to engage the pull pin correctly.
- Any argument that the carriage assembly failed the "drop test," which is a simulation to ensure that in the event of the pull pin is not engaged correctly, the carriage assembly will catch at the next setting, is evidence that Fitness failed to maintain the assembly correctly.
- Core will also argue that, had Plaintiff engaged the pull pin correctly, the incident
 would not have occurred. Plaintiff was also performing an exercise, a tricep
 extension, both incorrectly and on the wrong machine. Plaintiff was also never
 trained on this machine to learn how to properly use it, and the exercises for
 which it was to be used.

These are a few of the arguments we will raise at trial, in addition to others that may be raised through our experts or in response to Plaintiff's and/or Fitness's experts.

Summary of Expected Facts in Support of Co-Defendant's Case:

Fitness will likely argue that Plaintiff waived any claims against Fitness when he and/or his mother signed up with Fitness for a membership; that the machines were properly maintained, and that the failure in the carriage assembly was the result of Plaintiff's failure to ensure the pull pin was engaged correctly; and, we expect that Fitness will argue that, if these

others arguments are not enough, then any fault for the failure in the carriage assembly must be born by Core as there must have been some defect in its design or manufacture.

Summary of Resolved and Unresolved Critical Liability Issues:

The unresolved critical issues are as follows:

- Will Plaintiff be found responsible for any part of the subject incident?
- Is there a defect in the machine particularly a design defect, as there is not evidence of a manufacturing defect?
- Will it be determined that Core could have made the cable cross machine safer than it is currently designed?
- Will Fitness be found to have failed to maintain the cable crossover machine adequately, and that this failure caused or contributed to the incident?
- Will Fitness's lack of notice to Core regarding the prior incidents, prior to the subject incident, prevent Plaintiff from arguing that Core could have done something more to prevent the incident?
- Is Core's warning on the machine enough to prevent it from being found liable?
- Is the fact that Plaintiff was not trained on the machine, that he was using the wrong machine for the exercise he was doing, that he was doing the exercise improperly, and/or his general inexperience in the gym and using such equipment, enough to put the blame on both Plaintiff and Fitness for the incident?

Identify All Experts and Comment on Their Effectiveness:

Expert designations were recently served. The parties identified the following experts:

Plaintiff's experts:

- 1. Timothy Lanning of Formusiz, Pickersgill & Hunt, Inc.: an economist, will provide testimony about the present value of the costs of Plaintiff's future medical care needs, and loss of earnings.
- 2. Sarah Guentz, RN: a life care planner.
- 3. Daniel D. Lee, Ph.D: a neuropsychologist, will provide testimony about Plaintiff's alleged TBI and impact on him now and in the future, treatment needs, and the impact the TBI will have on Plaintiff and his ability to seek and obtain employment.
- 4. Richard D. Grossman, PE, Product Safety Engineer: a mechanical engineer, will provide testimony as to the safety of the cable crossover machine, the existence of design and manufacturing defects.
- 5. Hasan Badday, MD: a rehab and pain management specialist, will provide testimony as an expert in pain management, injuries and care received by Plaintiff, with a focus on his neck and back injuries, Plaintiff's current condition and need for future care,

- pain management and rehab. He will also provide testimony as to the reasonable of the cost of past and future medical care.
- 6. Amit Mehta, DC: a chiropractor, will provide testimony as to his current and future chiropractic care as a result of the injury.
- 7. Robert C. Cohenour, MD: a neurologist, will provide testimony as to Plaintiff's neurological injuries, care he received, his current neurological condition, and need for future care.
- 8. Sol Marghzar, Au.D. CCCA: an audiologist, will provide testimony about Plaintiff's alleged hearing loss and tinnitus.
- Stephan Grifka, MD: a ENT physician, will provide testimony as to the injuries and care received by Plaintiff related to his balance and ENT issues, and the overlap with TBI, as well as scarring and required treatment, and his current and future medical care needs.

To date, only one of Plaintiff's experts, Sarah Guentz, has been deposed. Our impression of her was that she was ill prepared and did not do what she was required to do in preparing a life care plan. In fact, Guentz only spoke with two of Plaintiff's doctors – Dr. Cohenour and Dr. Karen Lewis (Plaintiff's therapist). With that limited information, and based on her review of some medical records, she prepared the plan, which she estimates will cost \$3.8 to \$4.9 million. We tend to believe that the rest of Plaintiff's experts will be similarly ill prepared and/or less than thorough in coming to their opinions.

Defendants' experts (we are sharing many of these experts with Fitness, unless otherwise noted):

- 1. John W. House, MD: Audiologist.
- 2. Michael Dennis Landman, MD, FACS: Plastic Surgeon
- 3. David J. Weiner, MBA, AM: Core's Economist
- 4. Victoria Wilkerson, MBA, CPA, ABV, CFE: Fitness's Economist.
- 5. Mary Jesko, MS, Ed.D., CCM, CDMS, CC, CLCP: Life Care Planner
- 6. Nancy Fraser Michalski, BSN, RN, CPMA: Core's Medical Bill Auditor.
- 7. Marilyn Pacheco, CPC: Fitness's Medical Bill Auditor.
- 8. Barry I. Ludwig, MD: Neurologist.
- 9. George Henry, Ph.D.: Neuropsychologist.
- 10. Brian F. King, MD: Neuroradiologist.
- 11. Joshua Prager, MD: Pain Rehab Specialist.
- 12. Harvey C. Voris: Core's Mechanical/Design Engineer.
- 13. Mack Quan, Ph.D., PE: Fitness's Mechanical/Design Engineer.
- 14. Wilson C. Hayes, Ph.D.: Human Factors & Accident Reconstructionist.

Our experts, we believe, are reasonable and perfectly suited and able to respond and rebut the claims of Plaintiff's experts. All are sophisticated and experienced experts, and know Plaintiff's experts well.

Identify All Risk Transfer Issues (Indemnity, Additional Insurance, Contribution, etc.):

As you know, we have cross-motions for summary adjudication pending between Fitness and Core based on Fitness's cross complaint against Core for breach of contract. The gist of these motions is that Fitness believes that Core owes it a defense and indemnity per the terms of a contract between the two given the nature of the claims asserted against Fitness. Core believes that, in addition to there being no applicable contract memorializing Core's duty to defend and indemnify Fitness for the subject incident, Fitness is not being sued for a defect in the equipment, but for its own negligence, which is not covered by the provision Fitness is relying on to claim a defense and indemnity obligation is owed by Core to Fitness. These motions are being heard on September 22, 2016.

Summary of Discovery Responses Relevant to the Medicare Medicaid and SCHIP Extension Act of 2007 (MMSEA):

At this time, there are no MMSEA issues in this matter.

Injuries

Continuing Medical Conditions/Injuries: Plaintiff claims that his head and brain injury remain the same. His back and neck injury continue to worsen, but that physical therapy (chiropractor) helps. Plaintiff stated in his interrogatory responses that he now has confusion, cognitive problems, headaches, lethargy, ringing in his ears, sensitivity to light, and dizziness associated with his brain injury.

Summary of Plaintiffs' Expected Proof of Damages:

Damages for past medical treatment: Plaintiff will attempt to offer the following damages incurred for his past medical treatment:

	Amount
Provider	Paid
South Bay Pain Docs (Dr.	
Badday) billing date - 5/11/15	\$585
Dr. Cohenour billing date - 2/3/15	\$3,440.00
Valley Presbyterian - Physician	
(11/18/13)	\$924
Valley Presbyterian - Physician	
(11/27/13)	\$169
Renaissance Imaging (11/18/13)	\$236
Valley Presbyterian - Hospital	
(11/18/13)	\$552.55

Valley Presbyterian - Hospital	
(11/20/13)	\$64.81
Valley Presbyterian - Hospital	
(11/27/13)	\$115.26
CA Imaging 5/26/15 (Claim form	
to Pl atty) (Not Paid)	\$5,660
Mehta Chiro (5/15-8/15)	\$3,250
TOTAL	\$14,996.62

Future Medical Expenses Incurred: Plaintiff's life care planner expert, Ms. Guentz, recently testified. Ms. Guentz testified that she believe the cost of Plaintiff's life care plan cold range from \$3.8 to \$4.9 million depending on the course of treatment required. Although Plaintiff claims that he continues to have headaches and some memory loss, Plaintiff testified he is weight lifting again. His physician documented he would not require further therapy for his neurologic issues. Plaintiff's only continued care is with a physical therapist/chiropractor twice a week for pain in his back and neck. Plaintiff also alleges that his therapist, Karen Lewis, MA, will testify to his depression from his permanent injuries, the things he can no longer do and his fear his injuries will worsen overtime. Plaintiff will also present his physical therapist/chiropractor, Amit Mehta DC.

Total Lost Future Income: Plaintiff was employed at Autozone. He listed in the Statement of Damages that an expert will be used to identify his lost future earnings. Plaintiff stated in his interrogatories that an expert will opine that a permanent brain injury will reduce his lifetime earning capacity. His physician documented that he will have difficulty in academic setting or working long days. However, his employment records with Autozone demonstrate he worked full time as a cashier and was unemployed prior to the subject incident. At his deposition, Plaintiff stated he was applying for nursing programs and was not under the belief his injuries would prevent him working as a nurse. Further, his academic records preceding the subject incident demonstrate he was not a good student. He graduated 421st out of 485 in his high school class.

Total damages that Plaintiff will attempt to introduce at trial: We will not know until expert discovery is complete.

Summary of Insured's Rebuttal of Damages:

Past Medical Treatment. As noted above, we only have evidence of approximately \$15k in past medical bills paid to date by Plaintiff. We are conferring with Fitness's counsel on this number to confirm this number, but we believe after we review the additional document produced in this case that the past medical bill to date will not amount to more than \$30k.

Future Medical Needs. One of our biggest differences in this case is whether Plaintiff suffered a TBI. Based on what our experts have concluded, Plaintiff did not suffer a TBI, and there is no evidence that he continues to suffer any lingering effects from the incident. If we prevail on this issue, the only other damage he may be able to claim is for cosmetic surgery on his scalp, underneath his hair. By all accounts, it healed well, and is not noticeable. Our expert may recommend that there is not need for the surgery, but even if surgery would proceed it would cost less than \$30k to perform.

Lost Income. We do not have any numbers from Plaintiff's experts, but based on Plaintiff's own testimony, he was not working at the time. Thus, there should be no past lost income claim. As far as future lost income, it will depend on the whether it is found that Plaintiff suffered a TBI, and whether a jury will believe Plaintiff's expert in that he cannot work. Of course, our experts do not believe he suffered a TBI, and that he can work if he so choses.

Additional Care/Life Care. The estimate provided by Guentz was \$3.8 to \$4.9 million for his future life care. Our expert is currently critiquing Guentz's plan, assuming he has suffered a TBI, and we should have that number shortly. Absent a TBI, however, Plaintiff will not need a life care plan:

Given the above, we believe the total special damages that Plaintiff should be limited to at the time of trial is approximately \$60,000 - which assume Plaintiff did not suffer a TBI.

Note, this does not include general damages, i.e. the pain and suffering Plaintiff might be awarded at trial.

Summary of Co-Defendant's and Other Parties' Cases on Damages:

See above - we are similarly aligned with Fitness on Plaintiff's alleged damages.

Summary of Resolved and Unresolved Critical Damage Issues:

There are no resolved damages issues.

Summary of Relevant Laws or Other Issues Not Previously Addressed that May Impact the Amount of Damages Recoverable by Plaintiff or Against the Insured:

Plaintiff's total damages are not recoverable to the extent his own negligence contributed to the injuries. Rather, awardable damages must be proportionately reduced to reflect the percentage of plaintiff's "fault." Li v. Yellow Cab Co. (1975) 13 Cal.3d 804, 828-829; see CACI 405, 3960; BAJI 14.90, 14.91. Li is uniformly interpreted as extending the comparative negligence doctrine to all cases where the parties' conduct was anything less than intentional. Id. at 825-826. Damages are properly apportioned even where plaintiff has engaged in a greater

degree of negligence than defendant. Zavala v. Regents of Univ. of Calif. (1981) 125 CA3d 646, 647.

Plaintiff's negligence or other culpable conduct need *not* be a "proximate" ("legal") cause of the injury. Rather, comparative fault principles are properly invoked whenever plaintiff's conduct contributes to the overall *harm* emanating from the injury. *Potter v. Firestone Tire & Rubber Co.* (1993) 6 Cal.4th 965, 1011.

Moreover, we should be able to limit Plaintiff's claim for medical damages pursuant to Howell v. Hamilton Meats & Provisions, Inc (2011) 52 Cal.4th 541 and Corenbaum v. Lampkin (2013) 215 Cal.4th 1308. Pursuant to Howell, a plaintiff may only recover medical damages for amounts actually paid for medical treatment, and not the full amounts billed or unpaid. Corenbaum further limits a plaintiff's ability to introduce evidence of past amounts billed for medical services to prove a plaintiff's future medical damages or damages for pain and suffering.

Trial Readiness

Do you consider the investigation/discovery of the case complete? If not, what remains to be completed?

No. We are just beginning expert discovery, which will greatly impact the outcome of this case.

Are all witnesses on notice and available, and will they testify live, or via videotape or other medium?

We anticipate all witnesses will testify live.

Are all motions in limine completed?

No. Motions in *limine* are due on September 8, 2016.

Are all jury instructions completed?

No. These will be due on September 15, 2016.

Have you discussed with the claim professional involving appellate counsel at trial?

Yes. Horvitz & Levy have been retained to oversee the many motions pending prior to trial to evaluate any basis for taking a writ or filing an appeal post judgment.

Has this case been discussed/round tabled within in your office?

Yes, the case had been round tabled several times.

Has this case been round tabled with the claims handling office?

We have had several discussions regarding the merits of Plaintiff's case with the claims professional assigned to this matter.

Evaluation

Strengths and Weaknesses of the Insured's Case and Plaintiff's Case:

Plaintiff's case hinges on whether he suffered a TBI. If Plaintiff is able to establish he suffered TBI, it will turn a \$60,000 damages case into a possible multi-million dollar one. Also at issue is what Core knew and when regarding certain similar incidents that happened prior to the subject incident. Plaintiff would have the jury believe that Core knew about the "defective" condition of its cable crossover machine, and did nothing about it. Nothing could be further from the truth. What we know is that there were issues with certain carriage assemblies, prior to the subject incident. In response, Core implemented a product upgrade to address the wheels and pins that were believed to be the cause of why certain carriage assemblies failed. At the time of the subject incident, the carriage assembly on the cable crossover machine Plaintiff was using was either the upgraded carriage assembly or at the very least the parts of the carriage assembly were replaced with new parts. Regardless, there is no evidence a wheel, pull pin, or spring is what caused the carriage assembly to fail, and strike Plaintiff in the head.

Joint and Several Liability and Insurance Coverage for Other Parties:

Fitness is the other named defendant in this matter. We believe that between Plaintiff's failure to follow instructions and engage the pull pin correctly, and Fitness's lack of maintenance of the Machines, both Plaintiff and Fitness should face the most responsibility for Plaintiff's injuries. For joint and several purposes, Fitness appears to be in good financial health, and should be able to cover any judgment against it.

Jurisdictional, Public Policy, and Regulatory Considerations:

There are no significant jurisdictional, public policy, or regulatory considerations known in this matter at this time.

Contributory or Comparative Negligence Considerations

Plaintiff's general damages will be reduced to the extent of his comparative fault, if any. Based on the available facts, we will argue that Plaintiff is at fault for the incident.

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Probable Damages (Compensatory) if the Case is Lost:

If Plaintiff is able to convince the jury he suffered a TBI, Plaintiff will likely be able to introduce damages via his experts of somewhere between \$5 and \$10 million. However, expert discovery has only just commenced, and the specific dollar amount Plaintiff will attempt to recover is not yet known. As reported above, however, Plaintiff is seeking more than \$20 million in damages, with \$10 million attributed to punitive damages.

Punitive Damages Exposure:

Plaintiff claims that Core knew about the defective condition of its cable crossover machines, yet continued to sell the machines without regard to consumer safety, and solely for economic gain. That, despite knowing about the condition, Core did nothing to address the alleged defective condition, and/or failed to give notice to its customers of the potential defective condition and potential for injury.

Note also that, while Plaintiff has not raised this argument, Core should have reported the prior incidents with this machine to the Consumer Safety Product Commission ("CSPC"). Core knows of its self-reporting requirements, and knowingly chose not to report given that, regardless of what may have been determined to be the cause of the carriage assembly failure in these incidents, it did not want to face a inquiry or penalties as a result. If this were to be discovered by Plaintiff, it might be enough to support a claim for punitive damages. Note, however, that Plaintiff has never sought any discovery on the issue, and Plaintiff failed to designate any experts on the issue. It's likely that Plaintiff missed this argument, and it will not be an issue at trial, but we wanted to report on this issue regardless.

Attorney's Fees Recoverable:

Not applicable in Plaintiff's case. However, we may owe Fitness a defense depending on the ruling on Fitness's motion for summary adjudication as to Core's defense and indemnity obligation it believes is owed.

Probable Apportionment of Fault Among Defendants

If Plaintiff is not found to be entirely at fault for his injuries due to his failure to follow instructions, i.e., that he failed to make sure the pull pin was fully engaged before using the cable crossover machine, the question then becomes to what extent there is a defect, and/or could the injury have been avoided if the machine was maintained correctly. In our estimation, both Fitness and Core could be found equally at fault for Plaintiff's injuries.

Net Exposure to Insured

It's hard to determine at this point as so much depends on whether Plaintiff has a TBI, and whether there is any basis for punitive damages. We believe the answer to both is no; and, to date, there has been no evidence produced in this litigation to support a punitive damages award against Core. Given that this case will depend heavily on experts, and expert discovery has only just begun, we will provide updates on the insured's estimated exposure as we move forward with expert discovery.

Realistic Settlement Value and Basis for Evaluation

For all the reasons set forth above, a realistic settlement range is difficult to estimate. Given what we know, a realistic settlement range is likely between \$0 and \$500,000, which in part is cost of defense driven, as well as takes into consideration the risk of a jury believing that Plaintiff was not entirely at fault for his injuries, that he in fact suffered a TBI, and that there is some basis for punitive damages. There is a mediation currently schedule for September 14, 2016, in the afternoon, prior to which a few more experts will have been deposed, and we should have a better understanding of the insured's exposure. Of course, we will report and discuss the expert testimony provided prior to the mediation, and adjust our settlement range as needed in time for mediation.

Resolution

What negotiations (whether formal or informal) have occurred or are expected to occur, if any?

There have been attempts to engage in settlement discussions with Plaintiff's counsel, but to date they have been unsuccessful. While many of us are skeptical that any progress will be made at the September 14 mediation, Plaintiff's counsel has agreed not to put any conditions on participating in same. However, Plaintiff's counsel did indicate that they would be starting with a \$10 million plus demand.

What resolution options should be explored before proceeding to trial?

To the extent that mediation is unsuccessful, we may consider requesting a mandatory settlement conference prior to trial.

Should this case be settled or tried, and why?

If Plaintiff does not want to be reasonable, and consider the risk that he may be found entirely at fault for his injuries, then we may have no choice but to take this matter to trial. Again, expert discovery will reveal much about Plaintiff's case, and we can further evaluate how best to proceed as we approach trial.

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What is the percent chance of a defense verdict or a directed verdict, and what is the basis for the figure set forth?

We believe there is a chance of a defense verdict; there was a clear warning on the cable crossover machine that required Plaintiff to ensure the pull pin was fully engaged or run the risk of serious injury. Given that there is no evidence of a manufacturing defect, the only reasonable conclusion for why the carriage assembly failed is that Plaintiff failed to ensure that pull pin was engaged correctly. Accordingly, we give the possibility of a defense verdict of less than 10%.

What is the percent chance of a plaintiff's verdict where the verdict amount is less than the last agreed to evaluation, and why?

Not applicable.

What is the probable verdict range if the case is tried and a verdict is returned for the plaintiff?

Based on the current information available to us, if the case is lost, the probable verdict range could be between \$60,000 and \$20 million. Of course, details of Plaintiff's damages are still being provided, through expert discovery, which has only just commenced. As we proceed, we will have a better understanding of the possible verdict range and will report.

What is the expected length of the trial?

3 weeks is what Plaintiff estimates.

Are there any collection problems with regard to any other co-defendants?

No.

In your opinion, will this case be resolved by this trial? If not, please explain the most likely scenario for resolution?

Yes, but an appeal may follow depending on what occurs at trial.

Anticipated Legal Services, Claims Activity, and Budget

Summary of Claims Activities

Counsel anticipates the following claims activity: (1) preparation of this ATLP/Pre-Trial Report and budget report; (2) preparing for mediation; (3) consultation regarding the status and results of expert discovery; and, (4) discussion of pre-trial and trial strategy.

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Summary of Legal Services

Counsel anticipates conducting the following legal services, which are more fully described in the itemized Budget Report below: (1) reviewing and analyzing documents from expert discovery and reports; (2) preparing for, taking, defending, and attending depositions of expert witnesses; (3) preparing for and attending mediation; (4) attending in court mandated conferences; (5); preparing for and attending the final status conference, including preparation of pre-trial documents; (6) preparing our witnesses for trial; and, (7) preparing for and attending trial. The following attorneys and staff are anticipated to provide the legal services outlined in the budget.

Timekeepers	Roles
Michael E. Gallagher	Senior Partner, lead trial counsel
Charles LaPlante	Senior Associate as litigation counsel
Lisa Stevenson	Senior Associate as litigation counsel
Christine Luong-Pham	Senior Associate as litigation counsel
Emily Berman	Junior Associate as litigation counsel
Scott Fryer	Paralegal providing litigation support

Note also that either Fred Blum or Noel Edlin will first chair the trial if it proceeds.

Budgets/Legal Expense for Remaining Stages of the Case

The following table below represents a summary of the probable cost of defense for the remaining and ongoing stages of the case, both up to trial and to obtain a verdict.

Remaining Case Stage	Total for Each Case Stage
Evaluation	\$39,080
Dispositive Motion	\$6,880
Discovery	\$121,410
Alternative Dispute Resolution	\$6,940
Trial Preparation and Trial	\$132,020
Additional Expenses	\$34,000
Total Budget	\$340,330

Our itemized description of the probable defense costs for the ongoing and remaining case stages set forth below is based on a blended rate of \$172.

1. Evaluation

a. Fact Investigation/Development

We will conduct a supplementary factual investigation, which will likely include reviewing records further subpoenaed records from various third parties. As our case analysis and fact investigation will be an ongoing activity until the commencement of trial, we anticipate having to incur an additional 20 hours of attorney time associated with such activities, resulting in legal defense costs of approximately \$3,440.

b. Analysis/Strategy

We anticipate conducting further analysis and development of defense strategies against Plaintiff's causation claims and purported damages. We estimate incurring approximately 45 hours in attorney time on these issues, resulting in legal defense costs of approximately \$7,740.

b. Experts/Consultants

We will be working with our experts in anticipation of their depositions, and testifying at trial. We estimate incurring approximately 60 hours in attorney time assisting these experts render their respective opinions, resulting in legal defense costs of approximately \$10,320.

c. Documents/File Management

We anticipate performing document management and file management activities through trial. We estimate incurring approximately 10 hours in attorney and paralegal time on these issues, resulting in legal defense costs of approximately \$1,720.

d. Budgeting

We anticipate incurring approximately 5 hours in attorney and paralegal time on budgeting issues, resulting in legal defense costs of approximately \$860.

e. Private Investigators

We anticipate having Critical Solutions continue to perform surveillance on Plaintiff. We estimate incurring \$15,000 for Critical Solutions' investigative work.

2. Dispositive Motions

a. Dispositive Motions

At this time, we have three motions for summary adjudication pending: one filed by Fitness, Core's MSA against Fitness, and Core's MSA as to Plaintiff's eighth cause of action and request for punitive damages. We estimate incurring approximately 20 hours in attorney and paralegal time on these issues, resulting in legal defense costs of approximately \$3,440.

b. Other Written Motions/Submissions

We anticipate filing various other statements and submissions in this matter. We estimate incurring approximately 20 hours in connection with these other motions/submissions, resulting in \$3,440 in defense costs.

3. Discovery Activities

a. Court Mandated Conferences

We anticipate participating in court-mandated conferences. We estimate incurring approximately 10 hours in attorney time attending such conferences, resulting in legal defense costs of approximately \$1,720.

b. Written Discovery

Not applicable.

c. Document Production

Not applicable.

d. Depositions

Not applicable.

e. Expert Discovery

We anticipate taking, defending, and attending approximately 24 expert depositions in this case. While the length of each deposition will vary, we estimate incurring at least 10 hours of attorney time in connection with the preparation and attendance of each deposition, for approximately 240 hours of attorney time, resulting in legal defense costs of approximately \$41,520.

f. Discovery Motions

It is possible that discovery disputes will arise regarding our pending discovery requests, resulting in discovery motions. In the event that such a discovery disputes requires a motion, we estimate incurring approximately 20 hours of attorney and paralegal time, or \$3,440 in defense costs.

g. Depositions Transcripts Expense

We anticipate ordering deposition transcripts of key expert witnesses in this matter. We estimate incurring approximately \$10,000 in depositions transcripts expenses.

j. Experts Expense

We anticipate working with our experts through the duration of this matter, including preparing for and attending depositions, as well as preparing for and attending the trial. We estimate incurring approximately \$65,000 in expert expenses.

4. ADR

a. Settlement

Mediation is scheduled for September 14, 2016. We estimate incurring approximately 20 hours in attorney time on for preparing for and attending mediation resulting in legal defense costs of approximately \$3,440.

b. Arbitrators/Mediators

We anticipate incurring approximately \$3,500 for the mediator's fees for the mediation and any related settlement discussions.

5. Trial Preparation and Trial

a. Fact Witnesses

We estimate incurring 30 hours in attorney time to prepare fact witnesses in this matter, resulting in legal defense costs of approximately \$5,160.

b. Expert Witnesses

We anticipate having to work with and prepare our expert witnesses for trial. We estimate incurring 40 hours in attorney time on these issues, resulting in legal defense costs of approximately \$6,880.

c. Written Motions/Submissions

We anticipate drafting and filing other written motions and submissions for trial. We estimate incurring 30 hours in attorney and paralegal time on these issues, resulting in legal defense costs of approximately \$5,160.

d. Other Trial Preparation and Support

We anticipate there will be other trial preparation, and incurring 15 hours in attorney and paralegal time on these issues, resulting in legal defense costs of \$2,580.

e. Trial Attendance

We estimate a 3-week trial, and we anticipate incurring at least 10 hours per day in connection with the preparation and attendance of each day of the trial. We estimate incurring 400 hours of attorney time on these issues (two attorneys at trial, an support), resulting in legal defense costs of approximately \$68,800.

f. Post-Trial Motions Submissions

We anticipate having to file certain post-trial motions and submissions. We estimate incurring 20 hours in attorney and paralegal time on these issues, resulting in legal defense costs of approximately \$3,440.

g. Enforcement

At this time, we do not anticipate any costs associated with enforcement related issues.

h. Trial Transcript Expense

We anticipate ordering certain trial transcripts in connection with this matter. We estimate incurring approximately \$10,000 in trials transcripts expenses.

i. Trial Exhibit Expense

We estimate incurring approximately \$5,000 in trial exhibit expenses to present to the jury to explain our defenses.

j. Litigation Support Vendor Expense

We estimate incurring approximately \$25,000 in litigation support vendors expenses, including the preparation of trial graphics and exhibits to present to the jury to explain our defenses, as well as to consult with a jury consultant.

6. Appeal

While we do not anticipate any costs associated with an appeal, Horvitz & Levy were hired to assist in this endeavor to the extent it becomes necessary.

7. Additional Expenses

We anticipate incurring approximately \$1,500 in copying expenses, \$1,500 in court fees, \$2,500 in subpoenas, \$3,500 in witness fees, and possibly another \$25,000 in sanctions depending on the remaining potential discovery disputes that may arise.

A revised budget reflecting the defense costs and expenses estimated above is attached to this report. The above estimated fees are based upon information currently available to us and, as a result, may need to be revised as events unfold. We will continue to update you on all significant matters as they arise. In the interim, please contact us with any comments or questions.

Very truly yours,

BASSI, EDLIN, HUIE & BLUM LLP

/s/ Michael E. Gallagher

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Attachment - Appendix A

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APPENDIX A

Anticipated Budget/Legal Expense

This budget is based upon the following rates:

Sr. Partner: \$179/hour
Jr. Partner: \$173/hour
Sr. Associate: \$168/hour
Jr. Associate: \$167/hour
Paralegals: \$73/hour

For ease, we've blended the Partner and Associate rates at \$172/hour.

Case Stage	Total Budget
Evaluation	\$39,080
Dispositive Motion	\$6,880
Discovery	\$121,410
ADR	\$6,940
Trial Preparation and Trial	\$132,020
Appeal	\$0
Additional Expenses	\$34,000
Total Bud	lget \$340,330

EVALUATION	Corrent Budget
Fact Investigation/Development (L110)	\$3,440
Analysis/Strategy (L120)	\$7,740
Experts/Consultants (L130)	\$10,320
Documents/File Management (L140)	\$1,720
Budgeting (L150)	\$860
Pleadings (L210)	\$0
Prelim Injunctions/Provisional Remedies (L220)	. \$0
Private Investigators Expense (E120)	\$15,000
Sub-Total	\$39,080

DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS	Current Budget
Dispositive Motions (L240)	\$3,440
Other Written Motions/Submissions (L250)	\$3,440
Sub-Total	\$6,880
Discovery Activities	Current Budget
Court Mandated Conferences (L230)	\$1,720
Written Discovery (L310)	\$0
Document Production (L320)	\$0
Depositions (L330)	\$0
Expert Discovery (L340)	\$41,250
Discovery Motions (L350)	\$3,440
On Site Inspections (L360)	\$(
Other Discovery (L390)	\$(
Deposition Transcripts Expense (E115)	\$10,000
Experts Expense (E119)	\$65,000
Sub-Total	\$121,410
ADR	Current Budget
Settlement (L160)	\$3,44
Arbitrators/Mediators (E121)	\$3,50
Sub-Total	\$6,94
Trial Preparation and Trial	Current Budget
Fact Witnesses (L410)	\$5,16
Expert Witnesses (L420)	\$6,88
Written Motions/Submissions (L430)	\$5,16
Other Trial Preparation and Support (L440)	\$2,58
Trial Hearing Attendance (L450)	\$68,80
Post Trial Motions Submissions (L460)	\$3,44
Enforcement (L470)	\$
Trial Transcripts Expense (E116)	\$10,00
Trial Exhibits Expense (E117)	\$5,00
Litigation Support Vendors Expense (E118)	\$25,00
Sub-Total	\$132,02

Appeal	Current Budget
Appellate Proceedings/Motions Practice (L510)	\$0
Appellate Briefs (L520)	\$0
Oral Argument (L530)	\$0
Sub-Total	\$0

Additional Expenses	Current Budget
Copying (E101)	\$1,500
Outside Printing (E102)	\$0
Delivery Service Messengers (E107)	\$0
Out of Town Travel (E110)	\$0
Meals (E111)	\$0
Court Fees (E112)	\$1,500
Subpoenas (E113)	\$2,500
Witness Fees (E114)	\$3,500
Other Professionals (E123)	\$0
Other (E124)	\$25,000
Sub-Total	\$34,000





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12/8/2016

VIA U.S. MAIL

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RE:

Manuel Rodriguez v. Fitness International, LLC, et al.; Fitness International, LLC v. Core Industries, LLC, et al.

Los Angeles Superior Court, Case No. BC532963 (hereinafter, "Lawsuit")

Insured:

Core Industries, LLC

Cross-Claimant: Fitness International, LLC

Policy No.:

536-16-09

Claim No.:

2584495128US

Dear Mr. Brown:

AIG Claims, Inc. ("AIG Claims") is the authorized representative for National Union Fire Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, Pa. ("National Union") regarding the above-referenced Commercial General Liability Policy ("Policy") issued to Core Industries, LLC. Please be advised that this correspondence supplements the coverage position letters that National Union issued to Core Industries, LLC ("Core") dated November 11, 2015, and July 15, 2016. National Union incorporates by reference herein the coverage positions and reservation of rights taken in its prior coverage position letters, and supplements such coverage position as discussed below.

As you know, Core and Plaintiff Manuel Rodriguez ("Plaintiff") recently reached a settlement of Core's alleged liability to Plaintiff concerning the allegations Plaintiff asserted against Core in the Lawsuit. However, Fitness International, LLC ("Fitness") also filed a Cross-Complaint against Core in the Lawsuit and the claims Fitness asserts against Core in the Cross-Complaint remain pending. This supplemental coverage position letter addresses Core's potential coverage under the National Union Policy for Fitness's claims against Core asserted in the Cross-Complaint.

As to any claim for coverage that Core may have under the National Union Policy for claims asserted in the Cross-Complaint, our coverage position is summarized below. We expect that you may have questions after reading this letter regarding our coverage position and the practical impact of our reservation of rights. Please feel free to contact me regarding any questions you may have regarding our coverage position.

In considering the request for coverage, we have reviewed the Policy referenced above and the allegations Fitness asserts against Core in the Cross-Complaint in the Lawsuit. No other policies were considered. If you assert a right to coverage under another policy issued by National Union or any other member company of American International Group, Inc., please submit notice pursuant to the notice provisions contained in that policy. In addition, if you are served with any further complaints regarding this matter, please forward them to my attention as soon as possible and we will review any such subsequent complaint(s) for potential coverage under the terms of the Policy.

ALLEGATIONS IN FITNESS'S CROSS-COMPLAINT

-Fitness filed a Cross-Complaint against Core asserting the following causes of action: 1) Comparative Indemnity and Apportionment of Fault; 2) Total Equitable Indemnity; 3) Declaratory Relief; 4) Express Contractual Indemnity; 5) Breach of Contract; and 6) Declaratory Relief re Duty to Defend.

Fitness alleges that Core was responsible, in whole or in part, for the injuries, if any, suffered by Plaintiff. Fitness alleges that if it is liable to Plaintiff, then Core should be required to pay a share of Plaintiff's judgment which is in proportion to the comparative negligence of Core in causing Plaintiff's damages, and to reimburse Fitness for any payments it makes to Plaintiff in excess of Fitness's proportional share of Core's negligence.

Fitness further alleges that if it is found in some manner responsible to Plaintiff as a result of the incidents or occurrences described in Plaintiff's Lawsuit, any liability would be based solely upon a derivative form of liability not resulting from Fitness's conduct, but only from an obligation imposed upon it by law. Therefore, Fitness claims that it would be entitled to complete indemnity from Core.

Fitness requests a judicial declaration of rights, responsibilities, and obligations of Core as to Fitness.

Fitness asserts an express contractual indemnity claim against Core. According to Fitness, it entered into a written agreement with Core dated July 20, 2011, regarding the purchase of the equipment at issue in the Lawsuit. Fitness alleges that in that agreement Core agrees to defend and indemnify Fitness for any claim or injury including attorneys' fees, which arise from a design or manufacturing defect, which is what Plaintiff alleges in the Lawsuit. Fitness further alleges that Core agrees to add Fitness as an additional insured under a comprehensive general liability policy with a limit of \$1,000,000 for bodily injury and property damage. Fitness alleges that it tendered the Lawsuit to Core for defense and indemnification and Core rejected the tender. According to Fitness, Plaintiff alleges personal injuries allegedly caused by a defect in the design and/or manufacture of a product purchased from Core by Fitness. Therefore, Fitness alleges that it is entitled to indemnity from Core for Plaintiff's Lawsuit, since Fitness alleges that the damages alleged by Plaintiff were caused by Core and not Fitness.

Fitness further asserts a breach claim against Core alleging that Fitness entered into a written agreement with Core dated July 20, 2011, pursuant to which Core was to procure insurance coverage naming Fitness as an additional insured, providing insurance coverage to Fitness for any litigation arising out of the alleged design or manufacturing defect of any products purchased from Core by Fitness. Fitness alleges that Core failed to procure the insurance coverage for Fitness required under the agreement, forcing Fitness to pay attorneys' fees and costs in defending Plaintiff's Lawsuit. Therefore, Fitness alleges that it has been damaged in an amount equal to all fees and costs incurred in defending the Lawsuit, as well as the costs associated with filing the Cross-Complaint.

Finally, Fitness asserts a claim for declaratory relief regarding the duty to defend against Core. This declaratory relief action is derivative of Fitness's breach of contract claim in which Fitness claims it is entitled to a defense from Core based upon the provision in the written agreement dated July 20, 2011. Fitness alleges that Core has a duty to defend Fitness against any claims arising from the defective design or manufacture of Core's products. Fitness alleges that an actual controversy exists between Fitness and Core because Fitness contends that it is entitled to a defense from Core as to the allegations in Plaintiff's Lawsuit while Core denies any such obligations under the written agreement.

Fitness requests judgment as follows in the Cross-Complaint: 1) compensatory damages; 2) total and complete indemnity for any judgments rendered against Fitness; 3) costs and expenses incurred in the defense of Plaintiff's Lawsuit, and in bringing the Cross-Complaint, including reasonable attorneys' fees; and 4) for such other and further relief as is just and proper.

THE POLICY

As discussed in National Union's prior coverage position letters, National Union issued a Commercial General Liability Policy to Core Fitness, LLC, policy number 536-16-09, beginning on August 1, 2013, and ending on August 1, 2014. By endorsement, Core Industries, LLC, and Core Industries, Inc., are also Named Insureds under the Policy. The Policy's Limits of Insurance total \$1,000,000 for each occurrence and \$2,000,000 general aggregate. Please reference Exhibit A to our November 11, 2015, coverage position letter for policy provisions contained in the National Union Policy that may be applicable to the claims in this matter. To the extent we have identified additional policy provisions applicable to the claims Fitness asserts against Core in the Cross-Complaint, we reference those in this coverage position letter. Once again, please note that our inclusion of the policy provisions in Exhibit A and in this letter is only a partial recitation of the terms, conditions, limitations, and exclusions contained in the subject Policy. Such discussion is not intended to supplement, amend, supersede or otherwise alter the National Union Policy. Moreover, National Union does not intend to waive any provisions of the Policy by virtue of this discussion.

COVERAGE POSITION

Once again, to avoid repetition, National Union incorporates by reference herein the coverage position and reservation of rights discussed at length in National Union's prior coverage position letters.

As to the claims Fitness asserts against Core in the Cross-Complaint, Core is potentially entitled to coverage for the liability it has to Fitness as a result of its operations as a fitness equipment manufacturer for design or manufacturing defects causing "bodily injury" to Plaintiff, subject to the terms, conditions, and exclusions of the Policy. However, we note that to the extent Fitness is seeking indemnity from Core for Fitness's own negligence, gross negligence, premises liability, etc., as alleged by Plaintiff against Fitness in the Lawsuit, Core is not entitled to coverage for such claims and liability under the Policy and National Union reserves all of its rights to disclaim coverage in this regard.

Based upon the allegations in Fitness's Cross-Complaint, since Fitness alleges that Plaintiff's allegations against Fitness arise out of Core's design and/or manufacturing defects, Core is entitled to reimbursement of Allocated Loss Adjustment Expenses, as defined in the Policy, for expenses incurred in the defense of Fitness's Cross Complaint, subject to the terms, conditions, and exclusions in the Policy. Under the Policy, National Union does not have a duty to defend Core, but will pay Allocated Loss Adjustment Expenses since the Retained Limit has been met. National Union requests that Core keep National Union apprised of developments in the cost of Core's defense to the allegations in Fitness's Cross-Complaint as it relates to Allocated Loss Adjustment Expenses.

As to the allegations Fitness asserts against Core in the Cross-Complaint, National Union continues to rely on any and all of the coverage positions, exclusions, and reservation of rights discussed in National Union's prior coverage position letters. In addition, National Union draws Core's attention to an additional exclusion, i.e., the Contractual Liability exclusion, which may apply to preclude coverage for Fitness's Cross-Complaint. We discuss such exclusion below.

Exclusion b. Contractual Liability: There is no coverage for "bodily injury" for which the insured is obligated to pay damages by reason of the assumption of liability in a contract or agreement. The exclusion does not apply to liability for damages: (1) the insured would have in the absence of the contract or agreement; or (2) assumed in a contract or agreement that is an "insured contract"...Solely for the purposes of liability assumed in an "insured contract", reasonable attorneys' fees and necessary litigation expenses incurred by or for a party other than an insured are deemed to be damages because of "bodily injury"...Under the Policy, "insured contract" means: "that part of any other contract or agreement pertaining to your business...under which you assume tort liability of another party to pay for "bodily injury"...to a third person or organization.

Tort liability means a liability that would be imposed by law in the absence of any contract or agreement"... To the extent Core is found to have contractual liability to Fitness that was not assumed in an "insured contract," as that term is defined in the Policy, there is no coverage under the Policy and National Union reserves the right to deny coverage to Core based upon this exclusion.

Once again, please be advised, National Union reserves the right to file an action for declaratory relief to determine the rights and duties under the Policy. National Union's coverage position is based on the information presently available to us. Nothing contained in this correspondence should be construed as a waiver of any rights or defenses, which National Union possesses under the terms, conditions, and exclusions contained in the applicable Policy and law. Investigation conducted by National Union regarding the above-referenced Lawsuit is subject to all terms, conditions, provisions, and limitations of the Policy. Any action taken by National Union or its agents, representatives, or attorneys do not constitute and are not intended as a waiver of any rights or defenses available to National Union, whether or not stated herein, that may be available now or at any point in time. National Union expressly reserves all of its rights under the Policy, including the right to assert additional defenses to any claims for coverage, if information indicates that such action is warranted. National Union also reserves the right to recoup any amounts National Union pays in damages and/or Allocated Loss Adjustment Expenses, if any, in accordance with applicable law.

Should you have any additional information with respect to this matter that you believe would either cause us to review our coverage position or would assist us in our investigation or determination, we ask that you advise us as soon as possible. In addition, if you are served with any additional demands or amended complaints or pleadings, please forward them to us immediately, so that we are able to review our coverage position.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this correspondence, then please feel free to contact the undersigned to discuss the same. Thank you in advance for your attention and cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Michael Morse

We answer the questions submitted to us as follows:

 Was there a design defect and/or manufacturing defect present in the Core industries LLC crossover machine used by Manuel Rodriguez on November 18, 2013 at the Van Nuys gym location of Fitness International, LLC?

X_Yes___No

[If your answer to question 1 is yes, then answer question 2. If you answered no, skip to question 3.]

2. Was the defect in Core Industries LLC's crossover machine a substantial factor in causing any harm to Manuel Rodriguez?

Yes___No

(Answer question 3.)

 Did Core Industries LLC negligently fail to recall its crossover machines on or before November 18, 2013?

X Yes___No

[If your answer to question 3 is yes, then answer question 4. If you answered no, skip to question 5.]

4. Was Core Industries LLC's negligent failure to recall its crossover machines a substantial factor in causing any harm to Manuel Rodriguez?

X Yes ___ No

[Answer question 5,]

General Negligence As Against Fitness International, LLC

Did Manuel Rodriguez sign the Membership Agreement of Fitness International, LLC?
Yes:_X_No.
[If your answer to question 5 is no, then answer question 6. If you answered yes, skip to question 8.]
 Was Fitness International, LLC negligent in allowing Manuel Rodriguez to use Core crossover machine on November 18, 2013?
Yes No
[If your answer to question 6 is yes, then answer question 7. If you answered no, skip to question 8.]
7. Was Fitness International, LLC's negligence a substantial factor in causing any harm to Manuel Rodriguez?
YesNo
[Please answer question 8.]

Gross Negligence As Against Fitness International, LLC

 Was Fitness International, LLC grossly negligent in allowing Manuel Rodriguez to use a Core crossover machine on November 18, 2013?
Yes No
[If your answer to question 8 is yes, then answer question 9. If you answered no, skip to question [11.]
9. Was Fitness International, LLC's gross negligence a substantial factor in causing any harm to Manuel Rodriguez?
YesNo
[If your answer to question 9 is yes, then answer question 10. If you answered no, skip to question 11.]
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10. Has Manuel Rodriguez proven by clear and convincing evidence that Fitness International, LLC allowing him to use a Core crossover machine on November 18, 2013, was with malice, oppression, or fraud?
Yes No
[Please answer question F1.]
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YOU ARE ONLY TO ANSWER QUESTIONS 11 AND 12 IF YOU ANSWERED "YES" TO <u>EITHER</u> OF THE FOLLOWING: QUESTION NUMBER 7 OR QUESTION NUMBER 9

IF YOU ANSWERED "NO" TO BOTH QUESTION NUMBER 7 AND QUESTION NUMBER 9, THEN SKIP QUESTIONS 11 AND 12 AND SIGN AND DATE THE VERDICT FORM BELOW

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	Päst medical damages: \$ 54,363.81
24	Past loss of earnings: \$
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b.	Fature economic loss:
	Future medical damages: \$ 3,500,000.00
₹ .	Future loss of earnings: \$ 1.196, 304.00
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[Go	to question 12.]

12. For the damages calculated above, we assign the following percentage of fault to each party:

a. Core Industries LLC:

25 %

b. Fitness International, LLC:

75 %

c. Plaintiff Manuel Rodriguez:

0 %

THE TOTAL PERCENTAGE MUST EQUAL 100%

Signed: _____

Presiding Juror

Dated: 18-11-15

After this verdict form has been signed, notify the clerk that you are ready to present your verdict in the courtroom.

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Items 1-6 beld	ow must be completed (see instructions o	n page 2).
1. Check one box below for the case type that t		
Auto Tort		Provisionally Complex Civil Litigation
Auto (22)	Breach of contract/warranty (06)	(Cal. Rules of Court, rules 3.400-3.403)
Uninsured motorist (46)	Rule 3.740 collections (09)	Antitrust/Trade regulation (03)
Other PI/PD/WD (Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death) Tort	Other collections (09)	Construction defect (10)
	X Insurance coverage (18)	Mass tort (40)
Asbestos (04)	Other contract (37)	Securities litigation (28)
Product liability (24)	Real Property	Environmental/Toxic tort (30)
Medical malpractice (45)	Eminent domain/Inverse condemnation (14)	Insurance coverage claims arising from the
Other PI/PD/WD (23)		above listed provisionally complex case types (41)
Non-PI/PD/WD (Other) Tort	Wrongful eviction (33) Other real property (26)	*
Business tort/unfair business practice (07)		Enforcement of Judgment
Civil rights (08)	Unlawful Detainer	Enforcement of judgment (20)
Defamation (13)		Miscellaneous Civil Complaint
Fraud (16)	Residential (32)	RICO (27)
intellectual property (19)	Drugs (38)	Other complaint (not specified above) (42)
Professional negligence (25)	Judicial Review	Miscellaneous Civil Petition
Other non-PI/PD/WD tort (35)	Asset forfeiture (05)	Partnership and corporate governance (21)
Employment	Petition re: arbitration award (11)	Other petition (not specified above) (43)
Wrongful termination (36)	Writ of mandate (02)	
Other employment (15)	Other judicial review (39)	
2. This case is X is not comple	ex under rule 3.400 of the California Rules	s of Court. If the case is complex, mark the
factors requiring exceptional judicial manage	ement:	
a. Large number of separately repres		
b. Extensive motion practice raising d	The second secon	h related actions pending in one or more courts
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c. Substantial amount of documentary 3. Remedies sought (check all that apply): a. [judgment judicial supervision claratory or injunctive relief c. X punitive
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4. Number of causes of action (specify): 2		
	s action suit.	
6, If there are any known related cases, file and	d serve a notice of related case (You ma	y use form CM-015.)
Date: September 22, 2017 Michael J. Sachs	11. 14	1//
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	NOTICE	
Plaintiff must file this cover sheet with the fir	st paper filed in the action or proceeding	(except small claims cases or cases filed
under the Probate Code, Family Code, or vvi	elfare and Institutions Code). (Cal. Rules of	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 si		nust serve a copy of this cover sheet on all
other parties to the action or proceeding.		
Unless this is a collections case under rule 3	3.740 or a complex case, this cover sheet	t will be used for statistical purposes only:

INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO COMPLETE THE COVER SHEET

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

To Parties In Rule 3,740 Collections Cases. A "collections case" under rule 3,740 is defined as an action for recovery of money owed In a sum stated to be certain that is not more than \$25,000, exclusive of interest and attorney's fees, arising from a transaction in which property, services, or money was acquired on credit. A collections case does not include an action seeking the following: (1) tort damages, (2) punitive damages, (3) recovery of real property, (4) recovery of personal property, or (5) a prejudgment writ of attachment. The identification of a case as a rule 3.740 collections case on this form means that it will be exempt from the general time-for-service requirements and case management rules, unless a defendant files a responsive pleading. A rule 3.740 collections case will be subject to the requirements for service and obtaining a judgment in rule 3.740.

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

Auto Tort

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

Asbestos (04)

Asbestos Property Damage Asbestos Personal Injury/ Wrongful Death Product Liability (not asbastos or toxic/environmental) (24) Medical Malpractice (45) Medical Malpractice-Physicians & Surgeons: Other Professional Health Care Malpractice

Other PI/PD/WD (23) Premises Liability (e.g., slip

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 Torl/Unfair Business

Practice (07) GlvII Rights (e.g., discrimination,

false arrest) (not civil harassment) (08)

-Oefamation (e.g., slander, libel) (13)Fraud (16)

Intellectual Property (19)

"Professional Negligence" (25) Legal Malpractice

Other Professional Malpractice (not medical or legal)

Employment Other Employment (15)

Other Non-PI/PD/WD Tort (35) Wrongful Termination (36)

Contract

Breach of Contract/Warranty (06) Breach of Rental/Lease Contract (not unlawful detainer or wrongful eviction) Contract/Warranty Breach-Seller Plainliff (not freud or negligence)

Negligent Breach of Contract Warranty Other Breach of Contract/Warranty Collections (e.g., money owed, open

book accounts) (09) Collection Case—Seller Plaintiff Other Promissory Note/Collections Case-

Insurance Coverage (not provisionally complex) (18)

Auto Subrogation Other Coverage Other Contract (37) Contractual Fraud Other Contract Dispute

Real Property

Eminent Domain/Inverse Condemnation (14)

Wrongful Eviction (33) Other Real Property (e.g., quiet title) (26).

Writ of Possession of Real Property Mortgage Foreclosure

Quiet Title

Other Real Property (not eminent domain, landlord/tenant, or foreclosure)

Unlawful Detainer

Commercial (31)

Residential (32)

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

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

Provisionally Complex Civil Litigation (Cal. Rules of Court Rules 3,400-3,403)

Antitrust/Trade Regulation (03) Construction Defect (10) Claims Involving Mass Tort (40) Securities Litigation (28)

Environmental/Toxic Tort (30) Insurance Coverage Claims

(ansing from provisionally complex case type listed above) (41)

Enforcement of Judgment

Enforcement of Judgment (20) Abstract of Judgment (Out of

County) Confession of Judgment (nondomestic relations) Sister State Judgment

Administrative Agency Award (not unpaid taxes) Pelition/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)

Mechanics Lien Other Commercial Complaint

Case (non-lort/non-complex) Other Civil Complaint (non-tor/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 Rellef from Late Claim

Other Civil Petition

SHORT TITLE. Core Health & Fitness v. National Union Fire Insurance Company

CASE NUMBER

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

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

- Step 1: After completing the Civil Case Cover Sheet (Judicial Council form CM-010), find the exact case type in Column A that corresponds to the case type indicated in the Civil Case Cover Sheet.
- Step 2: In Column B, check the box for the type of action that best describes the nature of the case.
- Step 3: In Column C, circle the number which explains the reason for the court filing location you have chosen.

Applicable Reasons for Choosing Court Filing Location (Column C)

- 1. Class actions must be filed in the Stanley Mosk Courthouse, Central District.
- 2. Permissive filing in central district.
- 3. Location where cause of action arose:
- 4. Mandatory personal injury filing in North District.
- 5. Location where performance required or defendant resides.
- 6. Location of property or permanently garaged vehicle.

- 7. Location where petitioner resides.
- 8. Location wherein defendant/respondent functions wholly.
- 9. Location where one or more of the parties reside.
- 10. Location of Labor Commissioner Office.
- 11. Mandatory filling location (Hub Cases unlawful detainer, limited non-collection, limited collection, or personal injury).

Auto

Other Personal Injuryl Property Damage/ Wrongful Death Tort

A Civil Case Cover Sheet Category No.	B Type of Action (Check anly one)	C Applicable Reasons See Step 3 Above
Auto (22)	A7100 Motor Vehicle - Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death	1, 4, 11
Uninsured Motorist (46)	☐ Å7110 Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death — Uninsured Motorist	1, 4, 11
Asbeistos (04)	A60,70 Asbestos Property Damage	4,11
Asbestos (04)	☐ A7221 Asbestos - Personal Injury/Wrongful Death	1, 11
Product Liability (24)	☐ A7260 Product Liability (not asbestos or toxic/environmental)	1, 4, 11
Medical Malpractice (45)	□ A7210 Medical Malpractice - Physicians & Surgeons	न, 4, 11
Medical Malpractice (45)	☐ A7240 Other Professional Health Care Malpractice	1, 4, 11
OlhasiDassassi	☐ A7250 Premises Liability (e.g., slip and fall)	1, 4, 11
Olher Personal Injury Property Damage Wrongful	□ A7230 Intentional Bodily Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death (e.g., assault, vandalism, etc.)	1, 4, 11
Death (23)	☐ A7270 Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress	1, 4, 11
	☐ A7220. Other Personal Irijury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death	1, 4, 11

Employment

Contract

Unlawful Detainer

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A Civil Case Cover Sheet Calegory No.		B Type of Action (Check only one)	C-Applicable Reasons - See Step Above
Business Tort (07)	A6029 Other Commercial	Business Tort (not fraud/breach of contract)	1, 2; 3
Civil Rights (08)	A6005 Civil Rights/Discrim	ination	1, 2, 3
Defamation (13)	A6010 Defamation (slands	er/libel)	1, 2, 3
Fraud (<u>1</u> 6)	A6013 Fraud (no contract)	H 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	1, 2, 3
Professional Negligence (25)	A6017 Legal Malpractice A6050 Other Professional	Malpractice (not medical or legal)	1, 2, 3
Other (35)	A6025 Other Non-Person	al Injury/Property Damage tort	1, 2, 3
Wrongful Termination (36)	A6037 Wrongful Terminat	loni	1, 2, 3
Other Employment (15)	A6024 Other Employment A6109 Labor Commission	•	1, 2, 3
Breach of Contract/ Warranty (06) (not insurance)	eviction) A600B. Contract/Warranty A6019 Negligent Breach of	ease Contract (not unlawful detainer or wrongful Breach -Seller Plaintiff (no fraud/negligence) of Contract/Warranty (no fraud) ontract/Warranty (not fraud or negligence)	2, 5 2; 5 1, 2, 5 1, 2, 5
Collections (09) A6002 Collections Case-Seller Plaintiff A6012 Other Promissory Note/Collections Case A6034 Collections Case-Purchased Debt (Charged Off Consumer Debt Purchased on or after January 1, 2014)		5, 8, 11 5, 11 5, 6, 11	
Insurance Coverage (18)	A6015 Insurance Coverag	e (not complex)	1, 2; 5, 8
Other Contract (37)	A6009 Contractual Fraud A6031 Tortious Interferen A6027 Other Contract Dis	ce pute(nat bréach/insurance/fraud/negligence)	1, 2, 3, 5 1, 2, 3, 5 1, 2, 3, 8, 9
Eminent Domain/Inverse Condemnation (14)	A7300 Eminent Domain/C	ondemnation Number of parcels	2, 6
Wrongful Eviction (33)	A6023 Wrongful Eviction (Case	2, 6;
Other Real Property (26)	A6018 Mortgage Fóreclos A6032 Quiel Title A6060 Olher Real Proper	ure ly (not eminent domain, landlord/tenant, foreclosure)	2, 6 2, 6 2, 6
Unlawful Detainer-Commercial (31)	A6021 Unlawful Detainer-	Commercial (not drugs or wrongful eviction)	6, 11
Unlawful Detainer-Residential	A6020 Unlawful Detainer	Residential (not drugs or wrongful eviction)	6, 11
Uniawful Detailner- Post-Foreclosure (34)	A6020F Unlawful Detainer-	Post-Foreclosure	2, 6, 11
Unlawful Detainer-Drugs (3B)	A6022 Unlawful Detainer-	Drugs	2, 6, 11

	A Civil Case Cover Sheet Calegory No.		B Type of Action (Check önly one)	C Applicable Reasons - See Step 3 Above
	Asset Forfeiture (05)		A6108 Asset Forfeiture Case	2, 3, 6
Judicial Review	Petition re Arbitration (11)	0;	A6115 Petition to Compel/Confirm/Vacate Arbitration	2, 5
	2	0	A6151 Writ - Administrative Mandamus	2. 8'
cial	Writ of Mandate (02)		A6152 Writ - Mandamus on Limited Court Case Matter	2
Provisionally Complex Litigation Judi			A6153 Writ- Other Limited Court Case Review	2
	Other Judicial Review (39)	٥	A6150 Other Writ /Judicial Review	2, 8
	Antitrust/Trade Regulation (03)	D	A6003 - Antitrust/Trade Regulation	1, 2, 8
	Construction Defect (10)	0	A6007 Construction Defect	1, 2, 3
	Claims involving Mass Tort (40)	D	A6006 Claims Involving Mass Tort	1, 2, 8
	Securities Litigation (28)	0	A6035 Securities Litigation Case	1,-2, 8
	Toxic_Tort Environmental (30)	0	A6036 Toxic Tort/Environmental	1, 2, 3, 8
	Insurance Coverage Claims (rom Complex Case (41)	0	A6014 Insurance Coverage/Subrogalion (complex case only)	1, 2, 5, 8
Enforcement of Judgment	Enforcement of Judgment (20)	0	A6141 Sister State Judgment	2, 5, 11
		0	A6160 Abstract of Judgment	2; 6
		۱.,	A6107 Confession of Judgment (non-domestic relations)	2, 9
rcel		lo	A6140 Administrative Agency Award (not unpaid taxes)	2, 8
FILE OF		_	A6114 Petition/Certificate for Entry of Judgment on Unpaid Tax:	2, 8
		l۵	A6112 Other Enforcement of Judgment Case	2, 8, 9
	RIĆÓ (27)·	-	A6033 Rackeleering (RICO) Case	1, 2, 8
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Miscellaneous Civil Complaints	Other Complaints (Not Specified Above) (42)	╹	A6030 Declaratory Relief Only	1, 2, 8
			A6040 Injunctive Relief Only (not domestic/harassment)	2, 8
		╻	A601 Other Commercial Complaint Case (non-tort/non-complex)	1, 2, 8
			A6000 Other Civil Complaint (non-tort/non-complex)	1, 2, 8
Miscellaneous Civil Petitions	Parthership Corporation Governance (21)	0	A6113 Partnership and Corporate Governance Case	2, 8
	Other Pelillons (Not Spécified Above) (43)	0	A6121 Civil Harassment	.2, 3, 9
			A6123 Workplace Harassment.	.2,.3, 9
			A6124 Elder/Dependent Adult Abuse Case	2, 3, 9
			A6190 Election Contest	2
			A6110 Petition for Change of Name/Change of Gender	2,7
		0	A6170 Petition for Relief from Late Claim Law	2, 3, 8
		0	A6100 Other Civil Petition	2, 9
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Step 4: Statement of Reason and Address: Check the appropriate boxes for the numbers shown under Column C for the type of action that you have selected. Enter the address which is the basis for the filing location, including zip code. (No address required for class action cases).

REASON: %1. 9/2. (3. (4. M.5. () 6. ()	17. D8.đ 9.	O 10. O 11,	ADDRESS: 515 S. Flower Street, Suite 1020	
cirv., Los Angeles	STATE:	21P CODE:		

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

Dated: September 22, 2017

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

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