

**ROBERT S. JARET SBN 124876** PHILLIP JARET SBN 092212 2 **JARET & JARET** 1016 Lincoln Avenue 3 FEB 2 6 2016 San Rafael, CA 94901 4 Tel. (415) 455-1010 JAMES M. KIM, Court Executive Officer Fax (415) 455-1050 MARIN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT 5 By: S. Hernandez, Deputy ARTHUR R. SIEGEL SBN 72651 6 LAW OFFICES OF ARTHUR R. SIEGEL 7 351 California Street, Suite 700 San Francisco, CA 94104 8 Tel. (415) 395-9335 Fax (415) 395-9615 9 10 Attorneys for Plaintiffs 11 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA 12 13 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARIN 14 UNLIMITED CIVIL JURISDICTION 15 MARY KNAPP-SAMET, JANE ANN Case No.: 1400998 16 MIDDLETON, KATHRYN BALLINGER. NORA BURNS, BARBARA RUSSELL. **CLASS ACTION** 17 WINNIE HUANG and HEATHER **DECLARATION OF MICHAEL** GOSLINER, individually and on behalf of 18 SUTHERLAND IN SUPPORT OF others similarly situated, MOTION FOR UNOPPOSED 19 PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF CLASS **ACTION SETTLEMENT AND** Plaintiffs. 20 **CERTIFICATION OF SETTLEMENT CLASS** 21 v. Hearing: March 23, 2016 22 MARIN GENERAL HOSPITAL Time: 1:30 p.m. Dept.: CORPORATION, a California corporation, 23 SUTTER HEALTH CORPORATION, a Complaints filed: March 14, 2014 California Corporation and DOES 1 through 24 50, **Trial Date:** Vacated 25 Defendants. 26 27 28

Declaration of Michael Sutherland in Support of Unopposed Notice of motion and Motion for Preliminary Approval of Class Action Settlement and Certification of Settlement Class 1

## **DECLARATION OF MICHAEL SUTHERLAND**

I, MICHAEL SUTHERLAND, declare as follows:

- 1. I am the Chief Operating Officer for Simpluris Inc., ("Simpluris"). My business address is 1155 S. Semoran Blvd., Winter Park, Fl 32792. My telephone number is (321) 223-5067. I am over twenty-one years of age and am authorized to make this declaration on behalf of Simpluris and myself.
- 2. Simpluris has extensive experience in class action matters, having provided services in class action settlements involving antitrust, securities fraud, property damage, employment discrimination, employment wage and hour, product liability, insurance and consumer issues. Simpluris' competencies are pre-settlement consultation, data management, legal notification, call centers, claims processing, and distribution and tax reporting.
- 3. We have provided notification and/or claims administration services in more than 1000 settlements and noticing procedures. Of these, more than 1000 were Labor & Employment cases. Simpluris has handled in the last 10 years approximately \$600 Million in Settlements.
  - 4. Simpluris has been selected by counsel as the class action settlement administrator.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States and of the State of California that the above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that this Declaration was executed this 25 day of February, 2016, in WINTER PARK, FL.

MICHAEL SUTHERLAND



## **ABOUT SIMPLURIS**

Simpluris, Inc. opened its doors in January 2007 as a class action settlement administration firm. A small collection of professionals proficient in class action settlement administration, marketing, direct mail development, and database design, with Troy Hoffman at its helm, began building the client-centric company with less than 10 clients. Over the course of 8 years, Simpluris has grown to 55+ employees, offices in 3 states, 500+ clients and over \$10 million in revenue. The success has derived from the construction of a cohesive team built with enthusiasm and vision. Simpluris is continually advancing its services including notification campaigns, case administration, data management, funds distribution and tax reporting persistently seeking modern techniques that offer efficiency and cost effective solutions to our clients. Simpluris will launch LiveCase<sup>™</sup> (client centric software) shortly, which will take class action settlement administration to a whole new level.

Inc Magazine recently ranked Simpluris #171 on its 30<sup>th</sup> annual Inc 500, an exclusive ranking of the nation's fastest growing private companies.

CEO, Troy Hoffman, has been a guest lecturer and panel member in the industry on class action related topics, including online claims filing, class notice campaigns, and other relevant issues within class action administration. He has spoken at many seminars including:

- California 17200 Conference
- Class Action & UCL Conference
- Nixon Peabody Luncheon
- Class Action Litigation Summit
- Bridgeport symposium's, Regular Panel Member
- CASD-Panel Member

Our approach is to provide a high level of customer service to all our clients and to use automation to the fullest to provide economical as well as accurate results and work product.

Clients receive support from our experts, who include attorneys, accountants, IT experts and communications professionals with a deep understanding of the unique demands of complex administration for class action, mass tart, and international collective redress.

Every case is assigned a dedicated team of professionals that oversees and coordinates all aspects of the engagement. Our integrated approach assures the highest levels of quality, accuracy and timeliness to meet clients' deadlines.

Simpluris has successfully administered cases in a complete scope of different practice areas. Our proven procedures and best practices provide successful outcomes from start to finish. Our IT professionals work full time to upgrade our case management technology to advance our commitment to our clients. Our far-reaching experience has helped us effectively administer cases in Wage and Hour, retail, commercial, Consumer, liability, and Consumer Fraud.

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