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25 **IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA**
26 **IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA**

27 MIRANDA HAHN, individually, and on
28 behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

PHOENICIAN MEDICAL CENTER,
INC., and DOES 1 through 100,
inclusive,

Defendants.

CASE NO. CV2023-010982

CLASS ACTION

**COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES,
INJUNCTIVE AND EQUITABLE
RELIEF**

[JURY TRIAL DEMANDED]

INTRODUCTION

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2 1. Representative Plaintiff Miranda Hahn (“Representative Plaintiff”) brings
3 this class action against Defendant Phoenician Medical Center, Inc. (“Defendant”) for its
4 failure to properly secure and safeguard Representative Plaintiff’s and Class Members’
5 protected health information and personally identifiable information stored within
6 Defendant’s information network, including without limitation, contact information, state
7 identifications, demographic information, dates of birth, diagnosis and treatment
8 information, prescription information, Medical Record Number, provider names, dates of
9 services and health insurance information (these types of information, *inter alia*, being
10 thereafter referred to, collectively, as “protected health information” or “PHI”¹ and
11 “personally identifiable information” or “PII”).²

12 2. With this action, Representative Plaintiff seeks to hold Defendant
13 responsible for the harms it caused and will continue to cause Representative Plaintiff and,
14 at least, 162,500³ other similarly situated persons in the massive and preventable
15 cyberattack purportedly discovered by Defendant on March 31, 2023, by which
16 cybercriminals infiltrated Defendant’s inadequately protected network servers and
17 accessed highly sensitive PHI/PII which was being kept unprotected (the “Data Breach”).

18 3. Representative Plaintiff further seeks to hold Defendant responsible for not
19 ensuring that the PHI/PII was maintained in a manner consistent with industry, the Health
20 Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (“HIPAA”) Privacy Rule (45 CFR,

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22 ¹ Protected health information (“PHI”) is a category of information that refers to an
23 individual’s medical records and history, which is protected under the Health Insurance
24 Portability and Accountability Act. *Inter alia*, PHI includes test results, procedure
25 descriptions, diagnoses, personal or family medical histories and data points applied to a
26 set of demographic information for a particular patient.

27 ² Personally identifiable information (“PII”) generally incorporates information that
28 can be used to distinguish or trace an individual’s identity, either alone or when combined
with other personal or identifying information. 2 C.F.R. § 200.79. At a minimum, it
includes all information that on its face expressly identifies an individual. PII also is
generally defined to include certain identifiers that do not on its face name an individual,
but that are considered to be particularly sensitive and/or valuable if in the wrong hands
(for example, Social Security numbers, passport numbers, driver’s license numbers,
financial account numbers, etc.).

³ https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/breach/breach_report.jsf (last accessed July 20, 2023).

1 Part 160 and Parts A and E of Part 164), the HIPAA Security Rule (45 CFR Part 160 and
2 Subparts A and C of Part 164) and other relevant standards.

3 4. While Defendant claims to have discovered the breach as early as March 31,
4 2023, Defendant did not begin informing victims of the Data Breach until June 2023 and
5 failed to inform victims when or for how long the Data Breach occurred. Indeed,
6 Representative Plaintiff and Class Members were wholly unaware of the Data Breach until
7 they received letters from Defendant informing them of it. The Notice received by
8 Representative Plaintiff was dated June 30, 2023.

9 5. Defendant acquired, collected and stored Representative Plaintiff's and Class
10 Members' PHI/PII. Therefore, at all relevant times, Defendant knew or should have known
11 that Representative Plaintiff and Class Members would use Defendant's services to store
12 and/or share sensitive data, including highly confidential PHI/PII.

13 6. HIPAA establishes national minimum standards for the protection of
14 individuals' medical records and other protected health information. HIPAA generally
15 applies to health plans and insurers, healthcare clearinghouses and those healthcare
16 providers that conduct certain healthcare transactions electronically and sets minimum
17 standards for Defendant's maintenance of Representative Plaintiff's and Class Members'
18 PHI/PII. More specifically, HIPAA requires appropriate safeguards be maintained by
19 organizations such as Defendant to protect the privacy of protected health information and
20 sets limits and conditions on the uses and disclosures that may be made of such information
21 without customer/patient authorization. HIPAA also establishes a series of rights over
22 Representative Plaintiff's and Class Members' PHI/PII, including rights to examine and
23 obtain copies of their health records and to request corrections thereto.

24 7. Additionally, the HIPAA Security Rule establishes national standards to
25 protect individuals' electronic protected health information that is created, received, used
26 or maintained by a covered entity. The HIPAA Security Rule requires appropriate
27 administrative, physical and technical safeguards to ensure the confidentiality, integrity
28 and security of electronic protected health information.

1 12. Venue is proper in this Court because a substantial part of the events giving
2 rise to this action occurred in Maricopa County. Defendant is based in Maricopa County
3 and maintains Class Members PII in Maricopa County.

4 13. The amount of Plaintiff's damages qualifies this matter as a Tier 3 case in
5 accordance with Rule 8(b)(2) of the Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure.

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7 **PLAINTIFF**

8 14. Representative Plaintiff is an adult individual and, at all relevant times
9 herein, was a resident and citizen of the State of Arizona. Representative Plaintiff is a
10 victim of the Data Breach.

11 15. Defendant received highly sensitive PHI/PII from Representative Plaintiff in
12 connection with the healthcare services Representative Plaintiff received. As a result,
13 Representative Plaintiff's information was among the data accessed by an unauthorized
14 third party in the Data Breach.

15 16. At all times herein relevant, Representative Plaintiff is and was a member the
16 Class.

17 17. As required to obtain healthcare services from Defendant, Representative
18 Plaintiff provided Defendant with highly sensitive PHI/PII.

19 18. Representative Plaintiff's PHI/PII was exposed in the Data Breach because
20 Defendant stored and/or shared Representative Plaintiff's PHI/PII. Representative
21 Plaintiff's PHI/PII was within the possession and control of Defendant at the time of the
22 Data Breach.

23 19. Representative Plaintiff received a letter from Defendant, dated June 30,
24 2023, stating Representative Plaintiff's PHI/PII was involved in the Data Breach (the
25 "Notice").

26 20. As a result, Representative Plaintiff spent time dealing with the consequences
27 of the Data Breach, which included and continues to include, time spent verifying the
28 legitimacy and impact of the Data Breach, exploring credit monitoring and identity theft

1 insurance options, self-monitoring Representative Plaintiff’s accounts and seeking legal
2 counsel regarding Representative Plaintiff’s options for remedying and/or mitigating the
3 effects of the Data Breach. This time has been lost forever and cannot be recaptured.

4 21. Representative Plaintiff suffered actual injury in the form of damages to and
5 diminution in the value of Representative Plaintiff’s PHI/PII—a form of intangible
6 property that Representative Plaintiff’s entrusted to Defendant, which was compromised
7 in and as a result of the Data Breach.

8 22. Representative Plaintiff suffered lost time, annoyance, interference and
9 inconvenience as a result of the Data Breach and has anxiety and increased concerns for
10 the loss of privacy, as well as anxiety over the impact of cybercriminals accessing, using
11 and selling Representative Plaintiff’s PHI/PII.

12 23. Representative Plaintiff suffered imminent and impending injury arising
13 from the substantially increased risk of fraud, identity theft and misuse resulting from
14 Representative Plaintiff’s PHI/PII, in combination with Representative Plaintiff’s name,
15 being placed in the hands of unauthorized third parties/criminals.

16 24. Representative Plaintiff has a continuing interest in ensuring that
17 Representative Plaintiff’s PHI/PII, which, upon information and belief, remains backed up
18 in Defendant’s possession, is protected and safeguarded from future breaches.

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20 **DEFENDANT**

21 25. Defendant is an Arizona corporation with a principal place of business
22 located at 1343 N Alma School Road #160 Chandler, Arizona 85224. Defendant is a
23 medical provider with over 20 locations and more than 140,000 active patients.⁴

24 26. The true names and capacities of persons or entities, whether individual,
25 corporate, associate or otherwise, who may be responsible for some of the claims alleged
26 here are currently unknown to Representative Plaintiff. Representative Plaintiff will seek
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28 ⁴ <https://phoenicianmedical.care/about-us> (last accessed July 20, 2023).

1 leave of court to amend this Complaint to reflect the true names and capacities of such
2 responsible parties when their identities become known.

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4 **CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS**

5 27. Representative Plaintiff brings this action pursuant to the provisions of
6 Arizona Rule of Civil Procedure Rule 23, on behalf of Representative Plaintiff and the
7 following Class:

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9 “All individuals within the State of Arizona whose PHI/PII was
10 exposed to unauthorized third parties as a result of the data breach
discovered by Defendant on March 31, 2023.”

11 28. Excluded from the Classes are the following individuals and/or entities:
12 Defendant and Defendant’s parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, officers and directors and any
13 entity in which Defendant has a controlling interest, all individuals who make a timely
14 election to be excluded from this proceeding using the correct protocol for opting out, any
15 and all federal, state or local governments, including but not limited to its departments,
16 agencies, divisions, bureaus, boards, sections, groups, counsel and/or subdivisions and all
17 judges assigned to hear any aspect of this litigation, as well as their immediate family
18 members.

19 29. In the alternative, Representative Plaintiff requests additional Subclasses as
20 necessary based on the types of PHI/PII that were compromised.

21 30. Representative Plaintiff reserves the right to amend the above definition or
22 to propose subclasses in subsequent pleadings and motions for class certification.

23 31. This action has been brought and may properly be maintained as a class
24 action under Arizona Rule of Civil Procedure Rule 23 because there is a well-defined
25 community of interest in the litigation and membership in the proposed Classes is easily
26 ascertainable.

27 a. Numerosity: A class action is the only available method for the fair
28 and efficient adjudication of this controversy. The members of the

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Plaintiff Classes are so numerous that joinder of all members is impractical, if not impossible. Representative Plaintiff is informed and believe and, on that basis, alleges that the total number of Class Members is in the tens of thousands of individuals. Membership in the Classes will be determined by analysis of Defendant's records.

b. Commonality: Representative Plaintiff and the Class Members share a community of interest in that there are numerous common questions and issues of fact and law which predominate over any questions and issues solely affecting individual members, including but not necessarily limited to:

- 1) Whether Defendant had a legal duty to Representative Plaintiff and the Classes to exercise due care in collecting, storing, using and/or safeguarding their PHI/PII;
- 2) Whether Defendant knew or should have known of the susceptibility of its data security systems to a data breach;
- 3) Whether Defendant's security procedures and practices to protect its systems were reasonable in light of the measures recommended by data security experts;
- 4) Whether Defendant's failure to implement adequate data security measures allowed the Data Breach to occur;
- 5) Whether Defendant failed to comply with its own policies and applicable laws, regulations and industry standards relating to data security;
- 6) Whether Defendant adequately, promptly and accurately informed Representative Plaintiff and Class Members that their PHI/PII had been compromised;
- 7) How and when Defendant actually learned of the Data Breach;
- 8) Whether Defendant's conduct, including its failure to act, resulted in or was the proximate cause of the breach of its systems, resulting in the loss of Representative Plaintiff's and Class Members' PHI/PII;
- 9) Whether Defendant adequately addressed and fixed the vulnerabilities which permitted the Data Breach to occur;
- 10) Whether Defendant engaged in unfair, unlawful or deceptive practices by failing to safeguard Representative Plaintiff's and Class Members' PHI/PII;
- 11) Whether Representative Plaintiff and Class Members are entitled to actual and/or statutory damages and/or whether injunctive, corrective and/or declaratory relief and/or an accounting is/are appropriate as a result of Defendant's wrongful conduct;
- 12) Whether Representative Plaintiff and Class Members are entitled to restitution as a result of Defendant's wrongful conduct.

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- c. Typicality: Representative Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the Plaintiff Classes. Representative Plaintiff and all members of the Plaintiff Classes sustained damages arising out of and caused by Defendant's common course of conduct in violation of law, as alleged herein.
- d. Adequacy of Representation: Representative Plaintiff in this class action is an adequate representative of each of the Plaintiff Classes in that the Representative Plaintiff has the same interest in the litigation of this case as the Class Members, is committed to vigorous prosecution of this case and has retained competent counsel who are experienced in conducting litigation of this nature. Representative Plaintiff is not subject to any individual defenses unique from those conceivably applicable to other Class Members or the Classes in their entirety. Representative Plaintiff anticipates no management difficulties in this litigation.
- e. Superiority of Class Action: Since the damages suffered by individual Class Members, while not inconsequential, may be relatively small, the expense and burden of individual litigation by each member makes or may make it impractical for members of the Plaintiff Classes to seek redress individually for the wrongful conduct alleged herein. Should separate actions be brought or be required to be brought by each individual member of the Plaintiff Classes, the resulting multiplicity of lawsuits would cause undue hardship and expense for the Court and the litigants. The prosecution of separate actions would also create a risk of inconsistent rulings which might be dispositive of the interests of the Class Members who are not parties to the adjudications and/or may substantially impede their ability to adequately protect their interests.

32. Class certification is proper because the questions raised by this Complaint are of common or general interest affecting numerous persons, such that it is impracticable to bring all Class Members before the Court.

33. This class action is also appropriate for certification because Defendant has acted or refused to act on grounds generally applicable to Class Members, thereby requiring the Court's imposition of uniform relief to ensure compatible standards of conduct toward the Class Members and making final injunctive relief appropriate with respect to the Classes in their entirety. Defendant's policies and practices challenged herein apply to and affect Class Members uniformly and Representative Plaintiff's challenge of these policies and practices hinges on Defendant's conduct with respect to the Classes in their entirety, not on facts or law applicable only to Representative Plaintiff.

1 34. Unless a Class-wide injunction is issued, Defendant may continue in its
2 failure to properly secure the PHI/PII of Class Members, and Defendant may continue to
3 act unlawfully as set forth in this Complaint.

4 35. Further, Defendant has acted or refused to act on grounds generally
5 applicable to the Classes and, accordingly, final injunctive or corresponding declaratory
6 relief with regard to the Class Members as a whole is appropriate under Rule 23(b)(2) of
7 the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

8 9 **COMMON FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

10 **The Cyberattack**

11 36. In the course of the Data Breach, one or more unauthorized third parties
12 accessed Class Members' sensitive data, including but not limited to contact information,
13 state identifications, demographic information, dates of birth, diagnosis and treatment
14 information, prescription information, Medical Record Numbers, provider names, dates of
15 services and health insurance information. Representative Plaintiff was among the
16 individuals whose data was accessed in the Data Breach.

17 37. According to the Data Breach Notification, which Defendant filed with the
18 Department of Health and Human Services, 162,500 persons were affected by the Data
19 Breach.⁵

20 38. Representative Plaintiff was provided the information detailed above upon
21 Representative Plaintiff's receipt of a letter from Defendant, dated June 30, 2023.
22 Representative Plaintiff was not aware of the Data Breach until receiving that letter.

23 24 **Defendant's Failed Response to the Breach**

25 39. Upon information and belief, the unauthorized third-party cybercriminals
26 gained access to Representative Plaintiff's and Class Members' PHI/PII with the intent of
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28 ⁵ https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/breach/breach_report.jsf (last accessed July 20, 2023).

1 misusing the PHI/PII, including marketing and selling Representative Plaintiff's and Class
2 Members' PII.

3 40. Not until after roughly three months after it claims to have discovered the
4 Data Breach did Defendant begin sending the Notice to persons whose PHI/PII Defendant
5 confirmed was potentially compromised as a result of the Data Breach. The Notice
6 provided basic details of the Data Breach and Defendant's recommended next steps.

7 41. The Notice included, *inter alia*, the claims that Defendant had learned of the
8 Data Breach on March 31, 2023.

9 42. Defendant had and continues to have obligations created by HIPAA,
10 applicable federal and state law as set forth herein, reasonable industry standards, common
11 law and its own assurances and representations to keep Representative Plaintiff's and Class
12 Members' PHI/PII confidential and to protect such PHI/PII from unauthorized access.

13 43. Representative Plaintiff and Class Members were required to provide their
14 PHI/PII to Defendant in order to receive services, and as part of providing healthcare,
15 Defendant created, collected and stored Representative Plaintiff's and Class Members'
16 PHI/PII with the reasonable expectation and mutual understanding that Defendant would
17 comply with its obligations to keep such information confidential and secure from
18 unauthorized access.

19 44. Despite this, Representative Plaintiff and the Class Members remain, even
20 today, in the dark regarding what particular data was stolen, the particular malware used
21 and what steps are being taken, if any, to secure their PHI/PII going forward.
22 Representative Plaintiff and Class Members are thus left to speculate as to where their
23 PHI/PII ended up, who has used it and for what potentially nefarious purposes. Indeed,
24 they are left to further speculate as to the full impact of the Data Breach and how exactly
25 Defendant intends to enhance its information security systems and monitoring capabilities
26 so as to prevent further breaches.

27 45. Representative Plaintiff's and Class Members' PHI/PII may end up for sale
28 on the dark web, or simply fall into the hands of companies that will use the detailed

1 PHI/PII for targeted marketing without Representative Plaintiff's and/or Class Members'
2 approval. Either way, unauthorized individuals can now easily access Representative
3 Plaintiff's and Class Members' PHI/PII.

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5 **Defendant Collected/Stored Class Members' PHI/PII**

6 46. Defendant acquired, collected, stored and assured reasonable security over
7 Representative Plaintiff's and Class Members' PHI/PII.

8 47. As a condition of its relationships with Representative Plaintiff and Class
9 Members, Defendant required that Representative Plaintiff and Class Members entrust
10 Defendant with highly sensitive and confidential PHI/PII. Defendant, in turn, stored that
11 information on Defendant's system that was ultimately affected by the Data Breach.

12 48. By obtaining, collecting and storing Representative Plaintiff's and Class
13 Members' PHI/PII, Defendant assumed legal and equitable duties over the PHI/PII and
14 knew or should have known that it was thereafter responsible for protecting Representative
15 Plaintiff's and Class Members' PHI/PII from unauthorized disclosure.

16 49. Representative Plaintiff and Class Members have taken reasonable steps to
17 maintain their PHI/PII's confidentiality. Representative Plaintiff and Class Members relied
18 on Defendant to keep their PHI/PII confidential and securely maintained, to use this
19 information for business purposes only and to make only authorized disclosures of this
20 information.

21 50. Defendant could have prevented the Data Breach, which began no later than
22 March 31, 2023, by properly securing and encrypting and/or more securely encrypting its
23 servers generally, as well as Representative Plaintiff's and Class Members' PHI/PII.

24 51. Defendant's negligence in safeguarding Representative Plaintiff's and Class
25 Members' PHI/PII is exacerbated by repeated warnings and alerts directed to protecting
26 and securing sensitive data, as evidenced by the trending data breach attacks in recent years.

27 52. Due to the high-profile nature of these breaches, and other breaches of its
28 kind, Defendant was and/or certainly should have been on notice and aware of such attacks

1 occurring in its industry and, therefore, should have assumed and adequately performed
2 the duty of preparing for such an imminent attack. This is especially true given that
3 Defendant is a large, sophisticated operation with the resources to put adequate data
4 security protocols in place.

5 53. And yet, despite the prevalence of public announcements of data breach and
6 data security compromises, Defendant failed to take appropriate steps to protect
7 Representative Plaintiff's and Class Members' PHI/PII from being compromised.

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9 **Defendant Had an Obligation to Protect the Stolen Information**

10 54. In failing to adequately secure Representative Plaintiff's and Class Member's
11 sensitive data, Defendant breached duties it owed Representative Plaintiff and Class
12 Members under statutory and common law. Under HIPAA, health insurance providers have
13 an affirmative duty to keep patients' PHI secure. As a covered entity, Defendant has a
14 statutory duty under HIPAA and other federal and state statutes to safeguard
15 Representative Plaintiff's and Class Members' PHI/PII. Moreover, Representative Plaintiff
16 and Class Members surrendered their highly sensitive PHI/PII to Defendant under the
17 implied condition that Defendant would keep it private and secure. Accordingly, Defendant
18 also has an implied duty to safeguard their PHI/PII, independent of any statute.

19 55. Because Defendant is covered by HIPAA (45 C.F.R. § 160.102), it is
20 required to comply with the HIPAA Privacy Rule, 45 C.F.R. Part 160 and Part 164,
21 Subparts A and E ("Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information")
22 and Security Rule ("Security Standards for the Protection of Electronic Protected Health
23 Information"), 45 C.F.R. Part 160 and Part 164, Subparts A and C.

24 56. HIPAA's Privacy Rule or Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable
25 Health Information establishes national standards for the protection of health information.

26 57. HIPAA's Privacy Rule or Security Standards for the Protection of Electronic
27 Protected Health Information establishes a national set of security standards for protecting
28 health information that is kept or transferred in electronic form.

1 58. HIPAA requires Defendant to “comply with the applicable standards,
2 implementation specifications, and requirements” of HIPAA “with respect to electronic
3 protected health information.” 45 C.F.R. § 164.302.

4 59. “Electronic protected health information” is “individually identifiable health
5 information [...] that is (i) transmitted by electronic media; maintained in electronic
6 media.” 45 C.F.R. § 160.103.

7 60. HIPAA’s Security Rule requires Defendant to do the following:

- 8 a. Ensure the confidentiality, integrity and availability of all electronic
9 protected health information the covered entity or business associate
10 creates, receives, maintains or transmits;
- 11 b. Protect against any reasonably anticipated threats or hazards to the
12 security or integrity of such information;
- 13 c. Protect against any reasonably anticipated uses or disclosures of such
14 information that are not permitted; and
- 15 d. Ensure compliance by its workforce.

16 61. HIPAA also requires Defendant to “review and modify the security measures
17 implemented [...] as needed to continue provision of reasonable and appropriate protection
18 of electronic protected health information” under 45 C.F.R. § 164.306(e), and to
19 “[i]mplement technical policies and procedures for electronic information systems that
20 maintain electronic protected health information to allow access only to those persons or
21 software programs that have been granted access rights.” 45 C.F.R. § 164.312(a)(1).

22 62. Moreover, the HIPAA Breach Notification Rule, 45 C.F.R. §§ 164.400-414,
23 requires Defendant to provide notice of the Data Breach to each affected individual
24 “without unreasonable delay and in no case later than 60 days following discovery of the
25 breach.”

26 63. Defendant was also prohibited by the Federal Trade Commission Act (the
27 “FTC Act”) (15 U.S.C. § 45) from engaging in “unfair or deceptive acts or practices in or
28 affecting commerce.” The Federal Trade Commission (the “FTC”) has concluded that a
company’s failure to maintain reasonable and appropriate data security for consumers’

1 sensitive personal information is an “unfair practice” in violation of the FTC Act. *See, e.g.,*
2 *FTC v. Wyndham Worldwide Corp.*, 799 F.3d 236 (3d Cir. 2015).

3 64. In addition to its obligations under federal and state laws, Defendant owed a
4 duty to Representative Plaintiff and Class Members to exercise reasonable care in
5 obtaining, retaining, securing, safeguarding, deleting and protecting the PHI/PII in
6 Defendant’s possession from being compromised, lost, stolen, accessed and misused by
7 unauthorized persons. Defendant owed a duty to Representative Plaintiff and Class
8 Members to provide reasonable security, including consistency with industry standards and
9 requirements, and to ensure that its computer systems, networks and protocols adequately
10 protected Representative Plaintiff’s and Class Members’ PHI/PII.

11 65. Defendant owed a duty to Representative Plaintiff and Class Members to
12 design, maintain and test its computer systems, servers and networks to ensure that all
13 PHI/PII in its possession was adequately secured and protected.

14 66. Defendant owed a duty to Representative Plaintiff and Class Members to
15 create and implement reasonable data security practices and procedures to protect all
16 PHI/PII in its possession, including not sharing information with other entities who
17 maintained sub-standard data security systems.

18 67. Defendant owed a duty to Representative Plaintiff and Class Members to
19 implement processes that would immediately detect a breach on its data security systems
20 in a timely manner.

21 68. Defendant owed a duty to Representative Plaintiff and Class Members to act
22 upon data security warnings and alerts in a timely fashion.

23 69. Defendant owed a duty to Representative Plaintiff and Class Members to
24 disclose if its computer systems and data security practices were inadequate to safeguard
25 individuals’ PHI/PII from theft, because such an inadequacy would be a material fact in
26 the decision to entrust their PHI/PII to Defendant.

1 70. Defendant owed a duty of care to Representative Plaintiff and Class
2 Members because they were foreseeable and probable victims of any inadequate data
3 security practices.

4 71. Defendant owed a duty to Representative Plaintiff and Class Members to
5 encrypt and/or more reliably encrypt Representative Plaintiff's and Class Members'
6 PHI/PII and monitor user behavior and activity in order to identify possible threats.

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8 **Value of the Relevant Sensitive Information**

9 72. While the greater efficiency of electronic health records translates to cost
10 savings for providers, it also comes with the risk of privacy breaches. These electronic
11 health records contain a plethora of sensitive information (e.g., patient data, patient
12 diagnosis, lab results, medical prescriptions, treatment plans, etc.) that is valuable to
13 cybercriminals. One patient's complete record can be sold for hundreds of dollars on the
14 dark web. As such, PHI/PII are valuable commodities for which a "cyber black market"
15 exists in which criminals openly post stolen payment card numbers, Social Security
16 numbers and other personal information on a number of underground internet websites.

17 73. The high value of PHI/PII to criminals is further evidenced by the prices they
18 will pay for it through the dark web. Numerous sources cite dark web pricing for stolen
19 identity credentials. For example, personal information can be sold at a price ranging from
20 \$40 to \$200, and bank details have a price range of \$50 to \$200.⁶ Experian reports that a
21 stolen credit or debit card number can sell for \$5 to \$110 on the dark web.⁷ Criminals can
22 also purchase access to entire company data breaches from \$999 to \$4,995.⁸

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24 ⁶ *Your personal data is for sale on the dark web. Here's how much it costs*, Digital
Trends, Oct. 16, 2019, available at: [https://www.digitaltrends.com/computing/personal-
data-sold-on-the-dark-web-how-much-it-costs/](https://www.digitaltrends.com/computing/personal-data-sold-on-the-dark-web-how-much-it-costs/) (last accessed July 20, 2023).

25 ⁷ *Here's How Much Your Personal Information Is Selling for on the Dark Web*,
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27 ⁸ *In the Dark*, VPNOverview, 2019, available at:
28 <https://vpnoverview.com/privacy/anonymous-browsing/in-the-dark/> (last accessed July
20, 2023).

1 74. Between 2005 and 2019, at least 249 million people were affected by
2 healthcare data breaches.⁹ Indeed, during 2019 alone, over 41 million healthcare records
3 were exposed, stolen or unlawfully disclosed in 505 data breaches.¹⁰ In short, these sorts
4 of data breaches are increasingly common, especially among healthcare systems, which
5 account for 30.03 percent of overall health data breaches, according to cybersecurity firm
6 Tenable.¹¹

7 75. These criminal activities have and will result in devastating financial and
8 personal losses to Representative Plaintiff and Class Members. For example, it is believed
9 that certain PHI/PII compromised in the 2017 Experian data breach was being used three
10 years later by identity thieves to apply for COVID-19-related benefits in the state of
11 Oklahoma. Such fraud will be an omnipresent threat for Representative Plaintiff and Class
12 Members for the rest of their lives. They will need to remain constantly vigilant.

13 76. The FTC defines identity theft as “a fraud committed or attempted using the
14 identifying information of another person without authority.” The FTC describes
15 “identifying information” as “any name or number that may be used, alone or in
16 conjunction with any other information, to identify a specific person,” including, among
17 other things, “[n]ame, Social Security number, date of birth, official State or government
18 issued driver’s license or identification number, alien registration number, government
19 passport number, employer or taxpayer identification number.”

20 77. Identity thieves can use PHI/PII, such as that of Representative Plaintiff and
21 Class Members which Defendant failed to keep secure, to perpetrate a variety of crimes
22 that harm victims. For instance, identity thieves may commit various types of government
23 fraud such as immigration fraud, obtaining a driver’s license or identification card in the
24 victim’s name but with another’s picture, using the victim’s information to obtain

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26 ⁹ <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7349636/#B5-healthcare-08-00133>
(last accessed July 20, 2023).

27 ¹⁰ <https://www.hipaajournal.com/december-2019-healthcare-data-breach-report/> (last
accessed July 20, 2023).

28 ¹¹ [https://www.tenable.com/blog/healthcare-security-ransomware-plays-a-prominent-
role-in-covid-19-era-breaches](https://www.tenable.com/blog/healthcare-security-ransomware-plays-a-prominent-role-in-covid-19-era-breaches) (last accessed July 20, 2023).

1 government benefits or filing a fraudulent tax return using the victim's information to
2 obtain a fraudulent refund.

3 78. The ramifications of Defendant's failure to keep secure Representative
4 Plaintiff's and Class Members' PHI/PII are long lasting and severe. Once PHI/PII is stolen,
5 particularly identification numbers, fraudulent use of that information and damage to
6 victims may continue for years. Indeed, Representative Plaintiff's and Class Members'
7 PHI/PII was taken by hackers to engage in identity theft or to sell it to other criminals who
8 will purchase the PHI/PII for that purpose. The fraudulent activity resulting from the Data
9 Breach may not come to light for years.

10 79. There may be a time lag between when harm occurs versus when it is
11 discovered and also between when PHI/PII is stolen and when it is used. According to the
12 U.S. Government Accountability Office ("GAO"), which conducted a study regarding data
13 breaches:

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

20 80. The harm to Representative Plaintiff and Class Members is especially acute
21 given the nature of the leaked data. Medical identity theft is one of the most common, most
22 expensive and most difficult-to-prevent forms of identity theft. According to Kaiser Health
23 News, "medical-related identity theft accounted for 43 percent of all identity thefts reported
24 in the United States in 2013," which is more than identity thefts involving banking and
25 finance, the government and the military, or education.¹³

26 ¹² *Report to Congressional Requesters*, GAO, at 29 (June 2007), available at:
27 <http://www.gao.gov/new.items/d07737.pdf> (last accessed July 20, 2023).

28 ¹³ Michael Ollove, "The Rise of Medical Identity Theft in Healthcare," Kaiser Health
News, Feb. 7, 2014, <https://khn.org/news/rise-of-identity-theft/> (last accessed July 20,
2023).

1 81. “Medical identity theft is a growing and dangerous crime that leaves its
2 victims with little to no recourse for recovery,” reported Pam Dixon, executive director of
3 World Privacy Forum. “Victims often experience financial repercussions and worse yet,
4 they frequently discover erroneous information has been added to their personal medical
5 files due to the thief’s activities.”¹⁴

6 82. When cybercriminals access financial information, health insurance
7 information and other personally sensitive data—as they did here—there is no limit to the
8 amount of fraud to which Defendant may have exposed Representative Plaintiff and Class
9 Members.

10 83. A study by Experian found that the average total cost of medical identity theft
11 is “about \$20,000” per incident, and that a majority of victims of medical identity theft
12 were forced to pay out-of-pocket costs for healthcare they did not receive in order to restore
13 coverage.¹⁵ Almost half of medical identity theft victims lose their healthcare coverage as
14 a result of the incident, while nearly one-third saw their insurance premiums rise, and 40
15 percent were never able to resolve their identity theft at all.¹⁶

16 84. And data breaches are preventable.¹⁷ As Lucy Thompson wrote in the DATA
17 BREACH AND ENCRYPTION HANDBOOK, “[i]n almost all cases, the data breaches that
18 occurred could have been prevented by proper planning and the correct design and
19 implementation of appropriate security solutions.”¹⁸ She added that “[o]rganizations that
20 collect, use, store, and share sensitive personal data must accept responsibility for
21 protecting the information and ensuring that it is not compromised....”¹⁹

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23 ¹⁴ *Id.*

24 ¹⁵ See Elinor Mills, “*Study: Medical Identity Theft is Costly for Victims*,” CNET (March,
25 3, 2010), <https://www.cnet.com/news/study-medical-identity-theft-is-costly-for-victims/>
26 (last accessed July 20, 2023).

27 ¹⁶ *Id.*; see also “*Healthcare Data Breach: What to Know About them and What to Do*
28 *After One*,” EXPERIAN, <https://www.experian.com/blogs/ask-experian/healthcare-data-breach-what-to-know-about-them-and-what-to-do-after-one/> (last accessed July 20, 2023).

29 ¹⁷ Lucy L. Thompson, “*Despite the Alarming Trends, Data Breaches Are Preventable*,”
30 in DATA BREACH AND ENCRYPTION HANDBOOK (Lucy Thompson, ed., 2012)

31 ¹⁸ *Id.* at 17.

32 ¹⁹ *Id.* at 28.

1 85. Most of the reported data breaches are a result of lax security and the failure
2 to create or enforce appropriate security policies, rules and procedures. Appropriate
3 information security controls, including encryption, must be implemented and enforced in
4 a rigorous and disciplined manner so that a *data breach never occurs*.²⁰

5 86. Here, Defendant knew of the importance of safeguarding PHI/PII and of the
6 foreseeable consequences that would occur if Representative Plaintiff's and Class
7 Members' PHI/PII was stolen, including the significant costs that would be placed on
8 Representative Plaintiff and Class Members as a result of a breach of this magnitude. As
9 detailed above, Defendant knew or should have known that the development and use of
10 such protocols were necessary to fulfill its statutory and common law duties to
11 Representative Plaintiff and Class Members. Its failure to do so is therefore intentional,
12 willful, reckless and/or grossly negligent.

13 87. Defendant disregarded the rights of Representative Plaintiff and Class
14 Members by, *inter alia*, (i) intentionally, willfully, recklessly and/or negligently failing to
15 take adequate and reasonable measures to ensure that its network servers were protected
16 against unauthorized intrusions, (ii) failing to disclose that it did not have adequately robust
17 security protocols and training practices in place to adequately safeguard Representative
18 Plaintiff's and Class Members' PHI/PII, (iii) failing to take standard and reasonably
19 available steps to prevent the Data Breach, (iv) concealing the existence and extent of the
20 Data Breach for an unreasonable duration of time and (v) failing to provide Representative
21 Plaintiff and Class Members prompt and accurate notice of the Data Breach.

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23 **FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF**
Negligence

24 88. Each and every allegation of the preceding paragraphs is incorporated in this
25 Claim for Relief with the same force and effect as though fully set forth herein.

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28 ²⁰ *Id.*

1 89. At all times herein relevant, Defendant owed Representative Plaintiff and
2 Class Members a duty of care, *inter alia*, to act with reasonable care to secure and safeguard
3 their PHI/PII and to use commercially reasonable methods to do so. Defendant took on this
4 obligation upon accepting and storing Representative Plaintiff's and Class Members'
5 PHI/PII on its computer systems and networks.

6 90. Among these duties, Defendant was expected:

- 7 a. to exercise reasonable care in obtaining, retaining, securing,
8 safeguarding, deleting and protecting the PHI/PII in its possession;
- 9 b. to protect Representative Plaintiff's and Class Members' PHI/PII
10 using reasonable and adequate security procedures and systems that
11 were/are compliant with industry-standard practices;
- 12 c. to implement processes to quickly detect the Data Breach and to
13 timely act on warnings about data breaches; and
- 14 d. to promptly notify Representative Plaintiff and Class Members of any
15 data breach, security incident or intrusion that affected or may have
16 affected their PHI/PII.

17 91. Defendant knew that the PHI/PII was private and confidential and should be
18 protected as private and confidential and, thus, Defendant owed a duty of care not to subject
19 Representative Plaintiff and Class Members to an unreasonable risk of harm because they
20 were foreseeable and probable victims of any inadequate security practices.

21 92. Defendant knew or should have known of the risks inherent in collecting and
22 storing PHI/PII, the vulnerabilities of its data security systems and the importance of
23 adequate security. Defendant knew about numerous, well-publicized data breaches.

24 93. Defendant knew or should have known that its data systems and networks
25 did not adequately safeguard Representative Plaintiff's and Class Members' PHI/PII.

26 94. Only Defendant was in the position to ensure that its systems and protocols
27 were sufficient to protect the PHI/PII that Representative Plaintiff and Class Members had
28 entrusted to it.

1 95. Defendant breached its duties to Representative Plaintiff and Class Members
2 by failing to provide fair, reasonable or adequate computer systems and data security
3 practices to safeguard Representative Plaintiff’s and Class Members’ PHI/PII.

4 96. Because Defendant knew that a breach of its systems could damage
5 thousands of individuals, including Representative Plaintiff and Class Members,
6 Defendant had a duty to adequately protect its data systems and the PHI/PII contained
7 thereon.

8 97. Representative Plaintiff’s and Class Members’ willingness to entrust
9 Defendant with its PHI/PII was predicated on the understanding that Defendant would take
10 adequate security precautions. Moreover, only Defendant had the ability to protect its
11 systems and the PHI/PII it stored on them from attack. Thus, Defendant had a special
12 relationship with Representative Plaintiff and Class Members.

13 98. Defendant also had independent duties under state and federal laws that
14 required Defendant to reasonably safeguard Representative Plaintiff’s and Class Members’
15 PHI/PII and promptly notify them about the Data Breach. These “independent duties” are
16 untethered to any contract between Defendant and Representative Plaintiff and/or the
17 remaining Class Members.

18 99. Defendant breached its general duty of care to Representative Plaintiff and
19 Class Members in, but not necessarily limited to, the following ways:

- 20 a. by failing to provide fair, reasonable or adequate computer systems
21 and data security practices to safeguard Representative Plaintiff’s and
22 Class Members’ PHI/PII;
23 b. by failing to timely and accurately disclose that Representative
24 Plaintiff’s and Class Members’ PHI/PII had been improperly acquired
25 or accessed;
26 c. by failing to adequately protect and safeguard the PHI/PII by
27 knowingly disregarding standard information security principles,
28 despite obvious risks, and by allowing unmonitored and unrestricted
access to unsecured PHI/PII;
 d. by failing to provide adequate supervision and oversight of the
PHI/PII with which it was and is entrusted, in spite of the known risk
and foreseeable likelihood of breach and misuse, which permitted an

1 unknown third party to gather Representative Plaintiff's and Class
2 Members' PHI/PII, misuse the PHI/PII and intentionally disclose it to
others without consent;

3 e. by failing to adequately train its employees to not store PHI/PII longer
4 than absolutely necessary;

5 f. by failing to consistently enforce security policies aimed at protecting
6 Representative Plaintiff's and the Class Members' PHI/PII;

7 g. by failing to implement processes to quickly detect data breaches,
8 security incidents or intrusions; and

9 h. by failing to encrypt Representative Plaintiff's and Class Members'
10 PHI/PII and monitor user behavior and activity in order to identify
11 possible threats.

12 100. Defendant's willful failure to abide by these duties was wrongful, reckless
13 and/or grossly negligent in light of the foreseeable risks and known threats.

14 101. As a proximate and foreseeable result of Defendant's grossly negligent
15 conduct, Representative Plaintiff and Class Members have suffered damages and are at
16 imminent risk of additional harms and damages (as alleged above).

17 102. The law further imposes an affirmative duty on Defendant to timely disclose
18 the unauthorized access and theft of the PHI/PII to Representative Plaintiff and Class
19 Members so that they could and/or still can take appropriate measures to mitigate damages,
20 protect against adverse consequences and thwart future misuse of their PHI/PII.

21 103. Defendant breached its duty to notify Representative Plaintiff and Class
22 Members of the unauthorized access by waiting almost a year after learning of the Data
23 Breach to notify Representative Plaintiff and Class Members and then by failing and
24 continuing to fail to provide Representative Plaintiff and Class Members sufficient
25 information regarding the breach. To date, Defendant has not provided sufficient
26 information to Representative Plaintiff and Class Members regarding the extent of the
unauthorized access and continues to breach its disclosure obligations to Representative
27 Plaintiff and Class Members.

28 104. Further, through its failure to provide timely and clear notification of the Data
Breach to Representative Plaintiff and Class Members, Defendant prevented

1 Representative Plaintiff and Class Members from taking meaningful, proactive steps to,
2 *inter alia*, secure and/or access their PHI/PII.

3 105. There is a close causal connection between Defendant’s failure to implement
4 security measures to protect Representative Plaintiff’s and Class Members’ PHI/PII and
5 the harm suffered, or risk of imminent harm suffered by Representative Plaintiff and Class
6 Members. Representative Plaintiff’s and Class Members’ PHI/PII was accessed as the
7 proximate result of Defendant’s failure to exercise reasonable care in safeguarding such
8 PHI/PII by adopting, implementing and maintaining appropriate security measures.

9 106. Defendant’s wrongful actions, inactions and omissions constituted (and
10 continue to constitute) common law negligence.

11 107. The damages Representative Plaintiff and Class Members have suffered (as
12 alleged above) and will continue to suffer were and are the direct and proximate result of
13 Defendant’s grossly negligent conduct.

14 108. Additionally, 15 U.S.C. § 45 (FTC Act, Section 5) prohibits “unfair [...]”
15 practices in or affecting commerce,” including, as interpreted and enforced by the FTC, the
16 unfair act or practice by businesses, such as Defendant, of failing to use reasonable
17 measures to protect PHI/PII. The FTC publications and orders described above also form
18 part of the basis of Defendant’s duty in this regard.

19 109. Defendant violated 15 U.S.C. § 45 by failing to use reasonable measures to
20 protect PHI/PII and not complying with applicable industry standards, as described in detail
21 herein. Defendant’s conduct was particularly unreasonable given the nature and amount of
22 PHI/PII it obtained and stored and the foreseeable consequences of the immense damages
23 that would result to Representative Plaintiff and Class Members.

24 110. Defendant’s violation of 15 U.S.C. § 45 constitutes negligence *per se*.
25 Defendant also violated the HIPAA Privacy and Security rules which, likewise, constitutes
26 negligence *per se*.

27 111. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant’s negligence and negligence
28 *per se*, Representative Plaintiff and Class Members have suffered and will continue to

1 suffer injury, including but not limited to (i) actual identity theft, (ii) the loss of the
2 opportunity of how their PHI/PII is used, (iii) the compromise, publication and/or theft of
3 their PHI/PII, (iv) out-of-pocket expenses associated with the prevention, detection and
4 recovery from identity theft, tax fraud and/or unauthorized use of their PHI/PII, (v) lost
5 opportunity costs associated with effort expended and the loss of productivity addressing
6 and attempting to mitigate the actual and future consequences of the Data Breach, including
7 but not limited to efforts spent researching how to prevent, detect, contest and recover from
8 embarrassment and identity theft, (vi) lost continuity in relation to their personal records,
9 (vii) the continued risk to their PHI/PII, which may remain in Defendant's possession and
10 is subject to further unauthorized disclosures so long as Defendant fails to undertake
11 appropriate and adequate measures to protect Representative Plaintiff's and Class
12 Members' PHI/PII in its continued possession and (viii) future costs in terms of time, effort
13 and money that will be expended to prevent, detect, contest and repair the impact of the
14 PHI/PII compromised as a result of the Data Breach for the remainder of the lives of
15 Representative Plaintiff and Class Members.

16 112. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's negligence and negligence
17 *per se*, Representative Plaintiff and Class Members have suffered and will continue to
18 suffer other forms of injury and/or harm, including but not limited to anxiety, emotional
19 distress, loss of privacy and other economic and noneconomic losses.

20 113. Additionally, as a direct and proximate result of Defendant's negligence and
21 negligence *per se*, Representative Plaintiff and Class Members have suffered and will
22 continue to suffer the continued risks of exposure of their PHI/PII, which remains in
23 Defendant's possession and is subject to further unauthorized disclosures so long as
24 Defendant fails to undertake appropriate and adequate measures to protect PHI/PII in its
25 continued possession.

SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF
Breach of Implied Contract

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3 114. Each and every allegation of the preceding paragraphs is incorporated in this
4 Claim for Relief with the same force and effect as though fully set forth herein.

5 115. Through their course of conduct, Defendant, Representative Plaintiff and
6 Class Members entered into implied contracts for Defendant to implement data security
7 adequate to safeguard and protect the privacy of Representative Plaintiff's and Class
8 Members' PHI/PII.

9 116. Defendant required Representative Plaintiff and Class Members to provide
10 and entrust their PHI/PII as a condition of obtaining Defendant's healthcare from
11 Defendant.

12 117. Defendant solicited and invited Representative Plaintiff and Class Members
13 to provide their PHI/PII as part of Defendant's regular business practices. Representative
14 Plaintiff and Class Members accepted Defendant's offers and provided their PHI/PII to
15 Defendant.

16 118. As a condition of being direct customers and/or employees of Defendant,
17 Representative Plaintiff and Class Members provided and entrusted their PHI/PII to
18 Defendant. In so doing, Representative Plaintiff and Class Members entered into implied
19 contracts with Defendant by which Defendant agreed to safeguard and protect such non-
20 public information, to keep such information secure and confidential and to timely and
21 accurately notify Representative Plaintiff and Class Members if its data had been breached
22 and compromised or stolen.

23 119. A meeting of the minds occurred when Representative Plaintiff and Class
24 Members agreed to, and did, provide their PHI/PII to Defendant, in exchange for, amongst
25 other things, the protection of their PHI/PII.

26 120. Representative Plaintiff and Class Members fully performed their obligations
27 under the implied contracts with Defendant.
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- 1 improve security and privacy measures, which was a direct and
2 proximate cause of the Data Breach;
- 3 c. Failing to comply with common law and statutory duties pertaining to
4 the security and privacy of Plaintiff's and Class Members' PII/PHI,
5 including duties imposed by the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. § 45, *et seq.*,
6 which was a direct and proximate cause of the Data Breach;
- 7 d. Misrepresenting that it would protect the privacy and confidentiality
8 of Plaintiff's and Class Members' PII/PHI, including by
9 implementing and maintaining reasonable security measures;
- 10 e. Misrepresenting that it would comply with common law and statutory
11 duties pertaining to the security and privacy of Plaintiff's and Class
12 Members' PII/PHI, including duties imposed by the FTC Act, 15
13 U.S.C. § 45, *et seq.*;
- 14 f. Omitting, suppressing and concealing the material fact that it did not
15 reasonably or adequately secure Plaintiff's and Class Members'
16 PII/PHI; and
- 17 g. Omitting, suppressing and concealing the material fact that it did not
18 comply with common law and statutory duties pertaining to the
19 security and privacy of Plaintiff's and Class Members' PII/PHI,
20 including duties imposed by the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. § 45, *et seq.*

21 127. Defendant's representations and omissions were material because they were
22 likely to deceive reasonable consumers about the adequacy of Defendant's data security
23 and ability to protect the confidentiality of consumers' PII/PHI.

24 128. Defendant intended to mislead Plaintiff and Class Members and induce
25 them to rely on its misrepresentations and omissions. Had Defendant disclosed to Plaintiff
26 and Class Members that its data systems were not secure and, thus, vulnerable to attack,
27 Defendant would have been unable to continue in business and it would have been forced
28 to adopt reasonable data security measures and comply with the law. Instead, Defendant
held itself out as a large, sophisticated entity with the resources to put adequate data
security protocols in place, an organization that could be trusted with valuable PII/PHI
regarding numerous consumers, including Plaintiff and Class Members. Defendant
accepted the responsibility of hosting and keeping PII/PHI secure while keeping the
inadequate state of its security controls secret from the public. Accordingly, because
Defendant held itself out as having the ability to maintain a secure environment for users'

1 email accounts with a corresponding duty of trustworthiness and care, Plaintiff and Class
2 Members acted reasonably in relying on Defendant's misrepresentations and omissions,
3 the truth of which they could not have discovered.

4 129. Defendant acted intentionally, knowingly and maliciously to violate
5 Arizona's Consumer Fraud Act and recklessly disregarded Plaintiff's and Class Members'
6 rights.

7 130. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's unfair and deceptive acts and
8 practices, Plaintiff and Class Members have suffered and will continue to suffer injury,
9 ascertainable losses of money or property and monetary and nonmonetary damages,
10 including from fraud and identity theft, time and expenses related to monitoring their
11 financial accounts for fraudulent activity, an increased, imminent risk of fraud and identity
12 theft and loss of value of their PII/PHI.

13 131. Plaintiff and Class Members seek all monetary and nonmonetary relief
14 allowed by law, including compensatory damages, disgorgement, punitive damages,
15 injunctive relief and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.

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17 **RELIEF SOUGHT**

18 **WHEREFORE**, Representative Plaintiff, on Representative Plaintiff's own behalf
19 and on behalf of each member of the proposed Class, respectfully requests the Court enter
20 judgment in favor of Representative Plaintiff and the Class and for the following specific
21 relief against Defendant as follows:

22 1. That the Court declare, adjudge and decree that this action is a proper class
23 action and certify each of the proposed Classes and/or any other appropriate Subclasses
24 under Arizona Rule of Civil Procedure Rule 23, including appointment of Representative
25 Plaintiff's counsel as Class Counsel;

26 2. For an award of damages, including actual, nominal and consequential
27 damages, as allowed by law in an amount to be determined;

1 3. That the Court enjoin Defendant, ordering it to cease and desist from
2 unlawful activities;

3 4. For equitable relief enjoining Defendant from engaging in the wrongful
4 conduct complained of herein pertaining to the misuse and/or disclosure of Representative
5 Plaintiff's and Class Members' PII/PHI, and from refusing to issue prompt, complete and
6 accurate disclosures to Representative Plaintiff and Class Members;

7 5. For injunctive relief requested by Representative Plaintiff, including but not
8 limited to injunctive and other equitable relief as is necessary to protect the interests of
9 Representative Plaintiff and Class Members, including but not limited to an Order:

- 10 a. prohibiting Defendant from engaging in the wrongful and unlawful
11 acts described herein;
- 12 b. requiring Defendant to protect, including through encryption, all data
13 collected through the course of business in accordance with all
14 applicable regulations, industry standards and federal, state or local
15 laws;
- 16 c. requiring Defendant to delete and purge Representative Plaintiff's and
17 Class Members' PHI/PII unless Defendant can provide to the Court
18 reasonable justification for the retention and use of such information
19 when weighed against the privacy interests of Representative Plaintiff
20 and Class Members;
- 21 d. requiring Defendant to implement and maintain a comprehensive
22 Information Security Program designed to protect the confidentiality
23 and integrity of Representative Plaintiff's and Class Members'
24 PHI/PII;
- 25 e. requiring Defendant to engage independent third-party security
26 auditors and internal personnel to run automated security monitoring,
27 simulated attacks, penetration tests and audits on Defendant's systems
28 on a periodic basis;
- f. prohibiting Defendant from maintaining Representative Plaintiff's
and Class Members' PHI/PII on a cloud-based database;
- g. requiring Defendant to segment data by creating firewalls and access
controls so that if one area of Defendant's network is compromised,
hackers cannot gain access to other portions of Defendant's systems;
- h. requiring Defendant to conduct regular database scanning and
securing checks;
- i. requiring Defendant to establish an information security training
program that includes at least annual information security training for

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all employees, with additional training to be provided as appropriate based upon the employees' respective responsibilities with handling PHI/PII, as well as protecting the PHI/PII of Representative Plaintiff and Class Members;

- j. requiring Defendant to implement a system of tests to assess its respective employees' knowledge of the education programs discussed in the preceding subparagraphs, as well as randomly and periodically testing employees' compliance with Defendant's policies, programs and systems for protecting personal identifying information;
- k. requiring Defendant to implement, maintain, review and revise as necessary a threat management program to appropriately monitor Defendant's networks for internal and external threats, and assess whether monitoring tools are properly configured, tested and updated;
- l. requiring Defendant to meaningfully educate all Class Members about the threats that they face as a result of the loss of their confidential personal identifying information to third parties, as well as the steps affected individuals must take to protect themselves.

- 6. For prejudgment interest on all amounts awarded, at the prevailing legal rate;
- 7. For an award of attorneys' fees, costs and litigation expenses, as allowed by law;
- 8. For all other Orders, findings and determinations identified and sought in this

Complaint.

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JURY DEMAND

Representative Plaintiff, individually and on behalf of the Plaintiff Classes and/or Subclasses, hereby demands a trial by jury for all issues triable by jury.

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Name of Plaintiff

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PHOENICIAN MEDICAL CENTER, INC.,
Name of Defendant

Title: **PLAINTIFF'S DEMAND for
JURY TRIAL**

Plaintiff, Miranda Hahn, demands a trial by jury in this case. If this
(Name of Plaintiff)
case is sent to compulsory arbitration, Plaintiff demands a trial by jury if there is an appeal
from that compulsory arbitration.

Dated this 7/28/23
(Date of signature)


(Signature of Plaintiff or Plaintiff's Attorney)