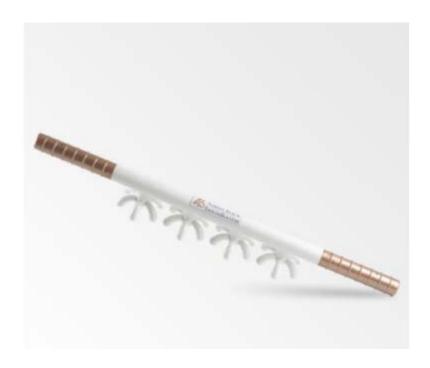
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8	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA		
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10	Sharon Dalton, Allyson McCarthy, Sheila Smith, Mary Dennis, Kelli Frederick and Joey Campbell,	· ·	
11	on behalf of themselves and all others similarly	: Case No.	
12	situated,	: :	
13	Plaintiffs,	· :	
14	-against-	: CLASS ACTION	
15		: COMPLAINT	
16	Ashley Black Company, Ashley Black, ADB	: : JURY TRIAL DEMANDED	
17	Innovations, LLC, Ashley Black Guru, Ashley Diana	:	
	Black International Holdings, LLC, Ashley Black Fasciology LLC, ADB Interests, LLC, and DOES 1-100,	:	
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19	Defendants.		
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22	Plaintiffs Sharon Dalton, Allyson McCart	hy, Sheila Smith, Mary	
23	Dennis, Kelli Frederick and Joey Campbell, individual	ly and on behalf of all others	
24	similarly situated, by their attorneys, allege the followi	ng unon information and	
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27	personal knowledge.		
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NATURE OF THE ACTION

1. This consumer class action seeks to remedy the false and deceptive business practices of Ashley Black Company, ADB Interests, LLC and other related entities ("Defendants") with respect to the marketing and sales of the "FasciaBlaster" product throughout the United States.

2. The FasciaBlaster is essentially a two-foot stick with hard prongs attached to it, which sells for \$89.00:



3. Purchasers are instructed by Defendants to grind the FasciaBlaster's prongs into their bodies to the point of bruising to achieve numerous miraculous health benefits including the "elimination of cellulite," "better nerve function" and

"chronic pain relief."

checkout:

4. The following statement features prominently on the website at tout:

The FasciaBlaster® was designed, engineered, and manufactured by Ashley Black. It is the ONLY tool on the market that opens the fascia at the deeper layers and breaks up fascial adhesions. The FasciaBlaster® is designed for self-treatment and can be used by anyone on any area of the body. With regular use of the FasciaBlaster®, one can expect pain reduction and improved flexibility, joint function, circulation, muscle definition and performance, nerve activity, posture, and enhanced beauty including the virtual elimination of CELLULITE.

(emphasis in original)

- 5. These claims are repeated, in different forms, throughout the website.
- 6. All these claims are baseless and false.
- 7. Defendants also sell different versions of the FasciaBlaster and a numbing cream to help alleviate the inevitable pain and bruising caused by its use.
- 8. Defendants' conduct violates, among others, state consumer protection statutes and warranty law. Plaintiffs bring claims under the laws of their home states as well as seeking to represent a national class of consumers.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

9. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction under the Class Action Fairness Act, 28 U.S.C. section 1332(d) in that: (1) this is a class action involving thousands of class members; (2) Plaintiffs are citizens of the States of California, Florida, Nevada, Arizona, Louisiana and Mississippi; Defendants are citizen of the States of Texas and California; and on information and belief more than two-thirds

of class members reside outside of California; and (3) the amount in controversy is in excess of \$5,000,000, exclusive of interests and costs.

- 10. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendants because Plaintiff Sharon Dalton is a resident of the State of California, Defendant Ashley Black is a resident of California, Defendants conduct and transact business in the State of California, contract to supply goods within the State of California, and supply goods within the State of California. In addition, Ms. Black, a California resident, is the central figure in this widespread deception and the conduct complained of herein originated with her.
- 11. Venue is proper because Plaintiff Ms. Dalton, Defendant Ms. Black, and many Class Members reside in this District, and throughout the State of California. A substantial part of the events giving rise to the claims occurred in this District.

PARTIES

Plaintiffs

- 12. **Sharon Dalton** is an individual consumer who, at all times material hereto, was a citizen of California.
- 13. In early 2016 she purchased two FasciaBlasters through Defendants' website.
 - 14. Ms. Dalton read the statements on the website, including the paragraph:

The FasciaBlaster® was designed, engineered, and manufactured by Ashley Black. It is the ONLY tool on the market that opens the fascia at the deeper layers and breaks up fascial adhesions. The FasciaBlaster® is designed for self-treatment and can be used by anyone on any area of the body. With regular use of the FasciaBlaster®, one can expect pain reduction and improved flexibility, joint function, circulation, muscle definition and performance, nerve activity, posture, and enhanced beauty including the virtual elimination of CELLULITE.

- 15. Ms. Dalton relied on these representations in making her purchase decision.
- 16. Ms. Dalton purchased two FasciaBlasters because at the time of her purchase she saw a video which advised consumers to cut a FasciaBlaster in half to form two smaller FasciaBlasters.
- 17. Ms. Dalton used the FasciaBlasters as directed, but received none of the claimed benefits.
- 18. Ms. Dalton suffered pain and bruising as a result of using the FasciaBlasters.
- 19. Had Ms. Dalton known the truth about the Fasciablasters, she would not have purchased them.
- 20. Ms. Dalton does not know if the representations made on the Ashley Black website will be true or not in the future.
- 21. Ms. Dalton suffered injury in fact and lost money as a result of Defendants' improper conduct.

Black website will be true or not in the future.

38. Ms. Frederick suffered pain and bruising as a result of using the FasciaBlaster and the other products.

- 39. Had Ms. Frederick known the truth about the FasciaBlaster and the other products, she would not have purchased them.
- 40. Ms. Frederick does not know if the representations made on the Ashley Black website will be true or not in the future.
- 41. Ms. Frederick was injured in fact and lost money as a result of Defendants' improper conduct.
- 42. **Sheila Smith** is an individual consumer who, at all times material hereto, was a citizen of Florida.
- 43. In 2015 Ms. Smith purchased a FasciaBlaster through Defendants' website.
 - 44. Ms. Smith read the statements on the website, including the paragraph:
 - The FasciaBlaster® was designed, engineered, and manufactured by Ashley Black. It is the ONLY tool on the market that opens the fascia at the deeper layers and breaks up fascial adhesions. The FasciaBlaster® is designed for self-treatment and can be used by anyone on any area of the body. With regular use of the FasciaBlaster®, one can expect pain reduction and improved flexibility, joint function, circulation, muscle definition and performance, nerve activity, posture, and enhanced beauty including the virtual elimination of CELLULITE.
- 45. Ms. Smith relied on these representations in making her purchase decision.

1	54.	Ms. Dennis relied on these representations in making her purchase	
2	decision.		
3	55.	Ms. Dennis used the FasciaBlaster as directed on her thighs and	
5	abdomen, bu	at received none of the claimed benefits.	
6	56.	Ms. Dennis suffered pain and bruising as a result of using the	
7 8	 FasciaBlaste	er.	
9	57.	Had Ms. Dennis known the truth about the Fasciablaster, she would no	
0	have purcha	sed it.	
1 2	58.	Ms. Dennis does not know if the representations made on the Ashley	
3	Black website will be true or not in the future.		
4	59.	Ms. Dennis was injured in fact and lost money as a result of	
5	Defendants'	improper conduct.	
17	60.	Joey Campbell is an individual consumer who, at all times material	
8	hereto, was	a citizen of Arizona.	
20	61.	In 2016 Ms. Campbell purchased three FasciaBlasters through	
21	Defendants'	website.	
22	62.	Ms. Campbell read the statements on the website, including the	
23	paragraph:		
24 25		The FasciaBlaster® was designed, engineered, and manufactured by	
26		Ashley Black. It is the ONLY tool on the market that opens the fascia	
27		at the deeper layers and breaks up fascial adhesions. The FasciaBlaster® is designed for self-treatment and can be used by	
28		anyone on any area of the body. With regular use of the	

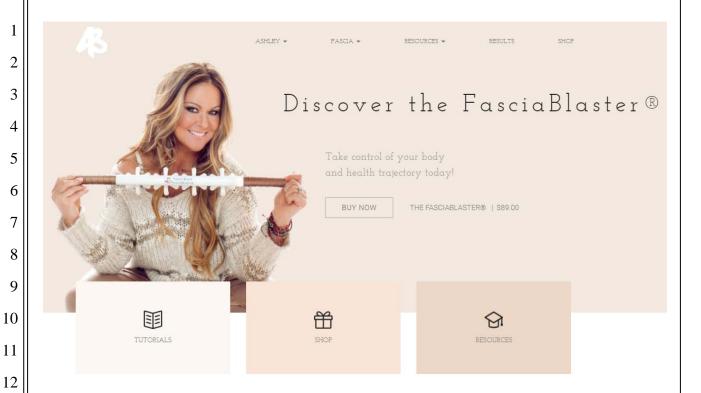
spokesperson touting the benefits of the FasciaBlaster on the website, social media, and other outlets.

Defendant Corporate Entities Controlled By Ashley Black

- 70. The following corporate entities are owned and controlled by defendant Ashley Black. The precise role of each of the corporate entity defendants in the wrongdoing alleged herein is unknown. All of these entities, however, are controlled by Ashley Black and as a practical matter have little, if any, independent corporate existence. The corporate structure, ownership, holdings and operations of these entities will be the subject of discovery.
- 71. **Defendant Ashley Black Company** is a corporation with its principal place of business in Texas. On information and belief, Ashley Black Company was jointly responsible for the manufacture, marketing, advertising and distribution of the FasciaBlaster throughout the United States. Ashley Black Company created and/or authorized the false, misleading and deceptive statements about the FasciaBlaster.
- 72. **Defendant ADB Interests, LLC** is a Texas company based, on information and belief, in Pearlman, Texas. ADB Interests LLC is identified as the owner of the Ashley Black website that carries the misrepresentations.
- 73. **Defendant ADB Innovations, LLC** identifies itself in corporate literature as the source of some of the Ashley Black products and is the source of one of the disclaimers about the products.



80. The FasciaBlaster is sold through Defendants' website, www.ashleyblackguru.com.



The Misrepresentations

81. Defendants' website states at the checkout page:

The FasciaBlaster® was designed, engineered, and manufactured by Ashley Black. It is the ONLY tool on the market that opens the fascia at the deeper layers and breaks up fascial adhesions. The FasciaBlaster® is designed for self-treatment and can be used by anyone on any area of the body. With regular use of the FasciaBlaster®, one can expect pain reduction and improved flexibility, joint function, circulation, muscle definition and performance, nerve activity, posture, and enhanced beauty including the virtual elimination of CELLULITE.

See https://ashleyblackguru.com/product/fasciablaster/5938157638/ (emphasis in original).

- 82. The front page of the website states that use of the FasciaBlaster "Lessens the look of cellulite" "Improves blood flow" "Helps reduce pain" and "accelerates muscle recovery."
 - 83. Similar claims are made throughout the website.
- 84. The defendants also tout a study of their own design to theorize that use of the FasciaBlaster "mimics" diet and exercise by pushing fat into the bloodstream where, it is asserted, it may be used as energy or excreted naturally:

The levels of fat in the blood were safe and consistent with diet and exercise. Take a look at this graph below. This shows for the 35 women in the study, the mean level of free fatty acids in the blood increased after their initial FasciaBlasting session. This is exciting because it supports the idea that the FasciaBlaster ® "mimics" exercise or dieting by mobilizing fat into the bloodstream to be either used as energy or excreted naturally. By the next day, the mean levels of fat in the bloodstream returned to low normal levels. Of course, using the FasciaBlaster® is not a substitute for a healthy diet and exercise, but it is encouraging to see results that support the positive effect of FasciaBlasting® on fat cells.

See https://ashleyblackguru.com/findings/ (emphasis in original):

- 85. This claim is also false. Use of the FasciaBlaster does not "mobilize fat into the bloodstream to be either used as energy or excreted naturally."
 - 86. The FasciaBlaster sells for \$89.00.

See https://www.fasciablaster.com/collections/all/products/fasciablaster

HOME > PRODUCTS > FASCIABLASTER®







- 87. Defendants' health claims are false and unsupportable.
- 88. There is no competent and reliable scientific evidence supporting the claim that the FasciaBlaster can eliminate, or even reduce, cellulite.
- 89. There is no competent and reliable scientific evidence supporting the claim that the FasciaBlaster can reduce chronic pain.
- 90. There is no competent and reliable scientific evidence supporting the claim that the FasciaBlaster can improve flexibility.
- 91. There is no competent and reliable scientific evidence supporting the claim that the FasciaBlaster can improve joint function.
- 92. There is no competent and reliable scientific evidence supporting the claim that the FasciaBlaster can improve circulation.
- 93. There is no competent and reliable scientific evidence supporting the claim that the FasciaBlaster can improve muscle definition.
- 94. There is no competent and reliable scientific evidence supporting the claim that the FasciaBlaster can improve muscle performance.
 - 95. There is no competent and reliable scientific evidence supporting the

claim that the FasciaBlaster can improve nerve activity.

- 96. There is no competent and reliable scientific evidence supporting the claim that the FasciaBlaster can improve beauty.
- 97. There is no competent and reliable scientific evidence supporting the claim that the FasciaBlaster can improve posture.

The Fasciablaster's Instructions For Use And Resulting Harm

- 98. However, use of the FasciaBlaster does have one undeniable effect: pain and potential serious bodily harm. To use the FasciaBlaster, users are instructed to forcefully rub the spikes into their bodies after "Getting Hot!!!" and slathering themselves with oil.
- 99. Users are also advised not to concern themselves with the pain they are experiencing. The website states:

FasciaBlasting can be a little painful at first, so you'll want to start off light and brisk to open up those initial layers of fascia. Once you've been FasciaBlasting frequently for a few weeks (at least 10 sessions in each area) you can start going a bit deeper and work your way up to a little more pressure. On a pain scale from 1-10, you should stay at a 2-4. Never go harder than a 7, and be sure to ease into treatment!

. . .

If you've never manipulated your fascia before, you may not know what to expect. It's understandable that you might "freak out" about some of the ways your body reacts to the treatment. We want you to know what is common and normal in the aftermath of a FasciaBlasting session.

100. Essentially, users are instructed to grind the prongs into themselves until they bruise. The pictures below are from the Ashley Black website and apparently intended to show what normal use of the FasciaBlaster will cause.

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See https://ashleyblackguru.com/bruise/



101. Defendants state that bruising is nothing to be concerned about and that once users "understand the science behind the bruises associated with FasciaBlasting" any concerns will be assuaged:

Bruises – Bruising after FasciaBlasting is a TOTALLY normal, healthy part of the restorative process and means it's working! Be sure to read the News on the Bruise so you fully understand the science behind the bruises associated with FasciaBlasting and learn what to do for recovery. Don't worry, the bruises will fade in a few days and in a few months, once your fascia is restored, bruising will be reduced to a minimum.

. . .

While bruising IS normal, you also don't want to overdo it! If you see some extremely dark, ugly bruises the following day, you might want to go a little lighter next time and see how your body reacts. Like I said, you'll eventually work up to blasting harder, but you should ease into treatment and open up one layer of fascia at a time.

102. Then, after recovery, users are instructed to dig the spikes deeper to reach new, previously unaffected layers of fascia, to cause yet more bruising. Bruising, Defendants claim, is a sign of "restoring" unhealthy fascia:

There is no exact time frame and everyone's fascia is in a different stage. There are so many factors that contribute, but I can make a generalization here to give you an idea. Bruising, as explained above, happens when you're breaking up fascial adhesions and restoring the fascia, and is part of the inflammation process, so it will always be possible as long as you're alive.

There is generally a 2-3 month restoration phase where you'll initially bruise after using the FasciaBlaster. Once the surface layers of fascia are fully restored, you won't bruise as much unless the fascia adheres or becomes distorted again. However, over time as you reach new layers that hadn't been previously restored, you can continue to see bruising! Does that make sense?

See https://ashleyblackguru.com/bruise/

108. The After Blaster lotion and the pre-use spray are sold for \$35.00. *See* https://ashleyblackguru.com/product/blaster-oil-and-after-blaster/9011237260/

HOME > PRODUCTS > BLASTER OIL AND AFTER BLASTER



BLASTER OIL AND AFTER BLASTER

\$35.00



The Blaster Oil was specifically designed to enhance the effects of the FasciaBlaster®. The oil streams out of a spray bottle so you can apply it to target areas without getting your hands oily, which is perfect for gripping the FasciaBlaster®. The density and consistency allow the FasciaBlaster® to glide smoothly over the skin to stimulate blood flow as well as loosen and release fascial adhesions. The Blaster Oil is compounded with 3 algaes that have shown to burn stored fat which helps with the visible reduction of cellulite. It also smells like an ocean day!

The After Blaster lotion contains high-quality Arnica to help accelerate recovery and reduce the look of bruising and inflammation after FasciaBlasting. It also has a skin tightening ingredient that is sure to give you an extra boost!

This fantastic combo is the perfect compliment to your FasciaBlasting routine and will take your results to a whole new level.

Click here to see a list of ingredients and read the research behind these products!

Fascia

- 109. The term "fascia" refers mainly to the collagen wrappings around internal organs and muscles as well as the sheaths around nerves and blood vessels.
- 110. Defendants state that use of the FasciaBlaster will "open the fascia at deeper layers" and "break up fascial adhesions."
- 111. There is no competent or scientific evidence that "fascial adhesions" even exist, let alone that it would be beneficial to destroy them.
- 112. In addition, the use of the FasciaBlaster is not precise. Since fascia covers organs, muscles, and blood vessels, users are also grinding the spikes into (obviously) their skin, organs, nerves, muscles, blood vessels, and bones.
 - 113. Accordingly, in addition to the dangers of actually rupturing fascia,

1	users risk significant "collateral" damage to skin, organs, nerves, lymph glands,		
2	muscles, blood vessels, bones and other structures.		
3	Defendants' FDA Reporting		
4	114. The FasciaBlaster touts itself as a medical device. The website states:		
5	The FasciaBlaster is a Class I medical device. Research and		
6	product claims have not been reviewed by the US Food and Drug Administration.		
7	Administration.		
8	115. Using the term "Class I medical device" in a statement preceding the		
9	standard FDA disclaimer would mislead a reasonable consumer into believing the		
10	FDA had a role in approving the device for use.		
11	116. The intent to convey the misleading impression of government		
12	approval is demonstrated by the fact that defendant Ashley Black, the company's		
13	founder, once stated on social media that the FaciaBlaster had been approved by the		
14	FDA.		
15	Other Misrepresentations		
16	117. Defendants make numerous other unsupportable medical claims.		
17	118. The website also states that the use of the FasciaBlaster will:		
18	Reduce and minimize inflammation		
19	Instantly reduce pain		
20	 Increases joint health 		
21	 Improves blood pressure 		
22	Improves mental function		
23	119. The website also states the FasciaBlaster can treat pain from		
24	fibromyalgia, a serious chronic pain condition.		
25	120. There is no competent and reliable scientific evidence supporting the		
26	claim that the use of the FasciaBlaster can confer any of these benefits.		
27	121. In tiny gray print on a black background, the bottom of the checkout		
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page below the website copyright notice it reads: 1 2 Legal Disclaimer: All claims and results within are based on years of 3 anecdotal evidence. The company is currently studying claims for scientific validation. 4 5 122. However, there is no "scientific validation" possible, since the directed 6 use of the FasciaBlaster does not provide the claimed benefits. 7 8 CLASS ALLEGATIONS 9 122. Plaintiffs bring this matter on behalf of themselves and similarly 10 situated consumers. Defendants orchestrated deceptive marketing and advertising 11 12 practices. Defendants' customers were uniformly impacted by and exposed to this 13 misconduct. Accordingly, this case is appropriate for classwide resolution. 14 123. The Class is defined as all consumers who purchased the FasciaBlaster 15 16 anywhere in the United States during the Class Period (the "Class"). 17 124. Plaintiffs also seeks certification, to the extent necessary or appropriate, 18 of subclasses of consumers in the states in which they reside, California, Nevada, 19 20 Louisiana, Arizona, Florida and Mississippi (the "Subclasses"). 21 125. The Class and Subclasses, except where indicated, shall be referred to 22 collectively throughout the Complaint as the "Class." 23 24 126. This action should be certified as a class action under Federal Rule of 25 Civil Procedure 23(a) and (b)(3). It satisfies the class action prerequisites of 26 numerosity, commonality, typicality, and adequacy. 27 28

- 127. <u>Numerosity</u>: The members of the Class are so numerous that joinder is impracticable. Plaintiffs believe that there are thousands of consumers who have been damaged by Defendants' deceptive and misleading practices.
- 128. <u>Commonality</u>: The questions of law and fact common to the members of the Class predominate over any questions which may affect individuals and include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Whether there is competent and reliable scientific evidence supporting the claim that the FasciaBlaster can eliminate, or even reduce, cellulite.
 - b. Whether there is competent and reliable scientific evidence supporting the claim that the FasciaBlaster can reduce chronic pain.
 - c. Whether there is competent and reliable scientific evidence supporting the claim that the FasciaBlaster can improve flexibility.
 - d. Whether there is competent and reliable scientific evidence supporting the claim that the FasciaBlaster can improve joint function.
 - e. Whether there is competent and reliable scientific evidence supporting the claim that the FasciaBlaster can improve

m. Whether an implied warranty of fitness for a particular purpose exists and whether Defendants have breached it;

- n. Whether defendants have been unjustly enriched;
- o. Whether injunctive relief should be granted;
- p. The amount of damages attributable to the Defendants' misrepresentations;
- 129. Typicality: Plaintiffs are members of the national class and of their respective state Subclasses. Plaintiffs' claims are typical of the claims of the Class and Subclasses because they were subjected to the same deceptive, misleading conduct and purchased the FasciaBlaster in reliance on the Defendants' misrepresentations.
- 130. Adequacy: Plaintiffs are adequate Class representatives because their interests do not conflict with the interests of the Class or Subclass Members they seek to represent; their consumer fraud claims are common to all members of the Class and Subclasses; they have a strong interest in vindicating their rights; and they have retained counsel competent and experienced in complex class action litigation and they intend to vigorously prosecute this action.
- 131. <u>Predominance</u>: Pursuant to Rule 23(b)(3), the common issues of law and fact identified above predominate over any other questions affecting only individual members of the Class and Subclasses. The common issues fully predominate over any individual issues because no inquiry into individual conduct is

necessary; all that is required is a narrow focus on Defendants' deceptive and misleading marketing and advertising practices and their objective impact on a reasonable consumer.

- 132. <u>Superiority</u>: A class action is superior to the other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this controversy because:
 - a. The joinder of thousands of individual consumers is impracticable, cumbersome, unduly burdensome, and a waste of judicial and/or litigation resources;
 - b. The individual claims of the Class and Subclass Members are small
 compared with the expense of litigating the claims, thereby making it
 impracticable, unduly burdensome, and expensive—if not totally
 impossible—to justify individual actions;
 - c. When Defendants' liability has been adjudicated, all Class and Subclass Members' claims can be determined by the Court and administered efficiently in a manner far less burdensome and expensive than if it were attempted through filing, discovery, and trial of all individual cases;
 - d. This class action will promote orderly, efficient, expeditious, and appropriate adjudication and administration of Class claims;
 - e. Plaintiffs know of no difficulty to be encountered in the management of this action that would preclude its maintenance as a class action;

- f. A class action will assure uniformity of decisions among Class and Subclass Members;
- g. The Class and Subclasses are readily definable and prosecution of this action as a class action will eliminate the possibility of repetitious litigation;
- h. The interests of Class and Subclass Members in individually controlling the prosecution of separate actions is outweighed by their interest in efficient resolution by single class action; and
- i. It would be desirable to concentrate in a single venue the litigation of all plaintiffs who were induced to purchase the FasciaBlaster by Defendants' uniform false advertising.
- 133. Accordingly, this case is properly brought and should be maintained as a class action under Rule 23(b)(3) because questions of law or fact common to Class Members predominate over any questions affecting only individual members, and because a class action is superior to other available methods for fairly and efficiently adjudicating this controversy.

INJUNCTIVE CLASS RELIEF

134. Rules 23(b)(1) and (2) contemplate a class action for purposes of seeking class-wide injunctive relief. Here, Defendants have made false and unsupported claims about the health benefits of the use of the FasciaBlaster. Since Defendants' conduct has been uniformly directed at all consumers in the United

States, and the conduct continues presently, injunctive relief on a classwide basis is a viable and suitable solution to remedy Defendants' continuing misconduct.

Plaintiffs do not know if the representations made by Defendants will be true or not in the future. Plaintiffs would use the FasciaBlaster again, and would purchase additional related products from Defendants, if Defendants' claims about the FasciaBlaster were true.

- 135. The injunctive Class is properly brought and should be maintained as a class action under Rule 23(a), satisfying the class action prerequisites of numerosity, commonality, typicality, and adequacy because:
- 136. <u>Numerosity</u>: Individual joinder of the injunctive Class Members would be wholly impracticable. The FasciaBlaster been purchased by thousands of people throughout the United States;
- 137. <u>Commonality</u>: Questions of law and fact are common to members of the Class. Defendants' misconduct was uniformly directed at all consumers. Thus, all members of the Class have a common cause against Defendants to stop their misleading conduct through an injunction. Since the issues presented by this injunctive Class deal exclusively with Defendants' misconduct, resolution of these questions would necessarily be common to the entire Class. Moreover, there are common questions of law and fact inherent in the resolution of the proposed injunctive class, including, *inter alia*:
 - a. Resolution of the issues presented in the 23(b)(3) class;

b. Whether members of the Class will continue to risk suffer harm and risk of harm because of Defendants' deceptive product marketing; and

- c. Whether, on equitable grounds, Defendants should be prevented from continuing to make false and unsupported health claims about the FasciaBlaster.
- 138. Typicality: Plaintiffs' claims are typical of the claims of the injunctive Class because their claims arise from the same misrepresentations. Plaintiffs are typical of the Class because, like all members of the injunctive Class, they purchased Defendants' Products which were sold unfairly and deceptively to consumers throughout the United States.
- 139. Adequacy: Plaintiffs will fairly and adequately represent and protect the interests of the injunctive Class. Their consumer protection claims are common to all members of the injunctive Class and they have a strong interest in vindicating their rights. In addition, Plaintiffs and the Class are represented by counsel who are competent and experienced in both consumer protection and class action litigation.
- 140. The injunctive Class is properly brought and should be maintained as a class action under Rule 23(b)(2) because Plaintiffs seeks injunctive relief on behalf of the Class Members on grounds generally applicable to the entire injunctive Class. Certification under Rule 23(b)(2) is appropriate because Defendants has acted or refused to act in a manner that applies generally to the injunctive Class (i.e.

Defendants have marketed the FasciaBlaster by making the same misleading and deceptive claims to all of the Class Members). Any final injunctive relief or declaratory relief would benefit the entire injunctive Class because Defendants would be prevented from continuing their misleading and deceptive practices. Plaintiffs do not know whether the representations made by Defendants in the future will be accurate.

FIRST COUNT VIOLATION OF THE MAGNUSON-MOSS WARRANTY ACT – EXPRESS WARRANTY, 15 U.S.C. § 2301, et seq.

(On Behalf of All Plaintiffs and the National Class)

- 141. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 142. Plaintiffs bring this claim individually and on behalf of all members of the Class. Upon certification, the Class will consist of more than 100 named Plaintiffs.
- 143. The Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act provides a federal remedy for consumers who have been damaged by the failure of a supplier or warrantor to comply with any obligation under a written warranty or implied warranty, or other various obligations established under the Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act, 15 U.S.C. § 2301, et seq.
- 144. The FasciaBlaster is a "consumer product" within the meaning of the Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act, 15 U.S.C. § 2301(1).

SECOND COUNT VIOLATION OF THE MAGNUSON-MOSS WARRANTY ACT-IMPLIED WARRANTY, 15 U.S.C. § 2301, et seq.

- 152. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 153. Plaintiffs bring this claim individually and on behalf of all members of the Class. Upon certification, the Class will consist of more than 100 named Plaintiffs.
- 154. The Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act provides a federal remedy for consumers who have been damaged by the failure of a supplier or warrantor to comply with any obligation under a written warranty or implied warranty, or other various obligations established under the Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act, 15 U.S.C. § 2301, et seq.
- 155. An implied warranty of merchantability arose in connection with the purchases of the Product by operation of state law under the Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act, 5 U.S.C. § 2301(7).
- 156. Defendants breached the implied warranty of merchantability because the FasciaBlaster is not fit for its intended use and does not conform to the representations made by Defendants.
- 157. Consequently, Plaintiffs and the other members of the Class have suffered injury and are entitled to damages in an amount to be proven at trial, along with attorneys' fees and costs.

THIRD COUNT VIOLATION OF CAL. BUS. & PROF. CODE § 17200, ET SEQ. (On Behalf of All Plaintiffs and the National Class)

- 158. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in all the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 159. Plaintiffs have standing to pursue this claim under California's Unfair Competition Law ("UCL") because they suffered an injury-in-fact and lost money as a result of Defendants' unfair practices. Specifically, they expended money that she otherwise would not have due to Defendant's misconduct.
- 160. Advertising the spurious health benefits when, in fact, the FasciaBlaster does not convey those benefits constitutes a course of unfair conduct within the meaning of Cal. Civ. Code § 17200, et seq.
- 161. The conduct of the Defendants harms the interests of consumers and market competition. There is no valid justification for Defendants' conduct.
- 162. Defendants engaged in unlawful business acts and practices by violating the Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act, breaching implied and express warranties, violating the California False Advertising Law, Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 17500, *et seq.*, and violating the Consumers Legal Remedies Act, Cal. Civ. Code § 1750, et seq.
- 163. Defendants engaged in fraudulent business practices by knowingly misrepresenting that use of the FasciaBlaster would confer certain health benefits when it would not. Such practices are devoid of utility and outweighed by the

gravity of harm to Plaintiffs and the Class who lost money by paying for the FasciaBlaster.

- 164. Each of Defendants' unfair, unlawful and fraudulent practices was the direct and proximate cause of financial injury to Plaintiffs and the Class. Defendants have unjustly benefitted as a result of their wrongful conduct. Plaintiffs and the Class are entitled to have Defendants disgorge and restore to Ms. Dalton and California Subclass members all monies wrongfully obtained by Defendants as a result of the conduct as alleged herein.
- 165. Defendants should also be ordered to stop selling the FasciaBlaster correct the false and misleading representations concerning the health benefits of the use of the FasciaBlaster.
 - 166. Plaintiffs have no adequate remedy at law.

FOURTH COUNT VIOLATION OF THE CONSUMER LEGAL REMEDIES ACT, CAL. CIV. CODE § 1750, ET SEQ. (On behalf of All Plaintiffs and the National Class)

- 167. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in all the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 168. The Consumers Legal Remedies Act ("CLRA") was enacted to protect consumers against unfair and deceptive business practices. The CLRA applies to Defendants' acts and practices because the Act covers transactions involving the sale of goods to consumers.

169. Plaintiffs and the members of the Class are "consumers" within the meaning of section 1761(d) of the California Civil Code, and they engaged in "transactions" within the meaning of sections 1761(e) and 1770 of the California Civil Code, including the purchases of the FasciaBlaster.

- 170. The FasciaBlaster is a "good" under Cal. Civ. Code §1761(a).
- 171. Defendants' unfair and deceptive business practices were intended to and did result in the sale of the FasciaBlaster.
- 172. Defendants violated the CLRA by engaging in the following unfair and deceptive practices:
 - •Representing that the FasciaBlaster has characteristics, uses or benefits that it does not have, in violation of section 1770(a)(5);
 - •Representing that the FasciaBlaster is of a particular standard, quality, or grade when it is not, in violation of section 1770(a)(7); and
 - •Advertising the FasciaBlaster with the intent not to sell it as advertised, in violation of section 1770(a)(9).
- 173. If Plaintiffs and the members of the Class had known the truth about the FasciaBlaster, they would not have purchased the FasciaBlaster or purchased the FasciaBlaster at the prices they did.
- 174. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' conduct, Plaintiffs and the members of the Class suffered injury and damages in an amount to be determined at trial.

175. Pursuant to California Civil Code § 1782(a), on August 24, 2017, Ms. Dalton sent Defendants a CLRA notice letter via certified mail, return receipt requested, advising Defendants that they are in violation of the CLRA and must correct, repair, replace or otherwise rectify the goods alleged to be in violation of § 1770.

176. On September 22, 2017 counsel for Defendants responded and advised Plaintiffs' counsel that as a result of Ms. Dalton's demand, the Defendants were expanding their return policy to permit returns of the FasciaBlaster going back three years.

- 177. Defendants later stated that they had contacted over 50,000 class members and received 42 returns. This notice was accompanied by a description of an alleged study which Defendants claimed supported the FasciaBlaster's effectiveness.
- 178. Defendants' actions do not adequately address Ms. Dalton's allegations.
- 179. Ms. Dalton seeks monetary damages under the CLRA for consumers whether or not they have returned their FasciaBlasters.
- 180. Ms. Dalton also seeks an injunction prohibiting Defendants from making false claims about the health benefits of the use of the FasciaBlaster and prohibiting Defendants from selling any more FasciaBlasters.

entitled to damages in an amount to be determined at trial.

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1	SIXTH COUNT BREACH OF IMPLIED WARRANTY UNDER CALIFORNIA LAW, CAL.	
2	COM. CODE §§ 2314 and 10212	
3	(On behalf of Ms. Dalton and the California Subclass)	
4	189. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in the	
5	foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.	
6 7	190. Defendants were at all relevant times "merchants" and "sellers" within	
8	the meaning of Cal. Com. Code §§ 2104(1), 10103(c) and § 2103 (1)(d).	
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10	191. The FasciaBlasters, at all relevant times, were "goods" within the	
11	meaning of Cal. Com. Code §§ 2105(1) and 10103(a)(8).	
12	192. A warranty that the FasciaBlasters were merchantable and fit for the	
13	ordinary purpose for which they are used is implied by California law.	
14 15	193. The purpose for which FasciaBlasters are used is to confer certain	
16	health benefits promised by Defendants.	
17	194. The FasciaBlasters, when sold, were not merchantable and not fit for	
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19	the ordinary purpose for which they are used. The FasciaBlasters are inherently	
20	defective because they do not confer the promised health benefits.	
21	195. Defendants were provided notice of these issues by Ms. Dalton's	
22	CLRA letter.	
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24	196. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendants' breach of the	
25 26	implied warranty Plaintiffs and the other California Subclass members have been	
27	damaged in an amount to be proven at trial.	
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SEVENTH COUNT 1 **BREACH OF EXPRESS WARRANTY UNDER** 2 THE SONG-BEVERLY WARRANTY (On behalf of Ms. Dalton and the California Subclass) 3 197. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in the 4 5 foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein. 6 198. Defendants were at all relevant times, merchants, manufacturers, 7 8 distributors, and/or sellers within the meaning of Cal. Civ. Code § 1791. 9 The FasciaBlasters, at all relevant times, were "consumer goods" 10 within the meaning of Cal. Civ. Code § 1791. 11 12 200. Ms. Dalton and the members of the California Subclass are "buyers" 13 within the meaning of Cal. Civ. Code § 1791. 14 201. Ms. Dalton and the members of the California Subclass bought the 15 16 FasciaBlasters for personal, household, or family purposes. 17 202. Defendants warranted that the use of the FasciaBlaster would confer 18 certain health benefits, as described above. 19 20 203. Defendants' express warranty extended to Ms. Dalton and the 21 California Subclass because they are natural persons who could have been expected 22 to use the products they purchased. 23 24 204. Defendants knowingly breached their warranty because the use of the 25 FasciaBlaster does not confer the promised health benefits. 26 205. Ms. Dalton notified the Defendants of their breach in her CLRA letter. 27

206. As a result, Ms. Dalton and the members of the Cali	fornia Subclass are	
2 entitled to damages in an amount to be determined at trial.		
EIGHTH COUNT		
BREACH OF IMPLIED WARRANTY UNDER THE SO		
5 WARRANTY ACT (On benait of Ms. Datton and the Can	<u>iorma Subciass)</u>	
6 207. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegati	ion contained in the	
foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.		
208. As merchants of the FasciaBlasters, Defendants imp	oliedly warranted	
that the FasciaBlasters were merchantable, would pass without of	bjection in the	
trade and were fit for the ordinary numbers for which they were used		
12	trade, and were fit for the ordinary purpose for which they were used.	
209. The ordinary purpose for which the FasciaBlaster w	ould be used would	
be to obtain the health benefits promised by Defendants.		
210. The FasciaBlasters, when sold, were not merchantal	ole and not fit for	
$\frac{1}{17}$ the ordinary purpose for which they are used.		
211. The FasciaBlasters are inherently defective because	they do not confer	
19 the promised health benefits		
20 the promised health benefits.		
21 212. Defendants breached their implied warranty of merc	chantability under	
22 the Song-Beverly Warranty Act.		
23 213. Defendants were provided notice of these issues by	Ms. Dalton's	
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1	damaged in an amount to be proven at trial, together with reasonable attorney's fees
2	and costs.
3	NINTH COUNT
4	VIOLATION OF THE NEVADA DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES ACT,
5	Nev. Rev. Stat. § 598.0903 et seq. (On behalf of Ms. McCarthy and the Nevada Subclass)
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7	215. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in all
8	the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
9	216. The Nevada Deceptive Trade Practices Act prohibits:
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11	(5) knowingly making a false representation as to the characteristics,
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13	uses, benefits, alternations, or quantities of goods or services for sale or
14	lease or a false representation as to the sponsorship, approval, status,
15	affiliation, or connection or a person therewith;
16	(9) Advertises goods or services with intent not to sell or lease them as
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18	advertised; and
19	(15) knowingly makes any other false representation in a transaction.
20	217. Defendants made false representations as to the health benefits
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22	conferred by the use of the FasciaBlaster as described above.
23	218. Defendants advertised the FasciaBlasters as having the ability to confer
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25	those health benefits, but sold the FasciaBlasters to the public when they knew the
26	FasciaBlaster did not have those health benefits.
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226. Defendants knowingly breached its express warranty because the use of the FasciaBlaster does not confer the promised health benefits.

- 227. The Defendants were notified of these issues by Ms. Dalton's CLRA letter and numerous complaints to the Defendants by consumers.
- 228. In any case, giving the Defendants a reasonable opportunity to cure their breach would be unnecessary and futile here. There is nothing Defendants can do to alter the FasciaBlasters that would change them into a device that could live up to Defendants' warranties.
- 229. As a result, Ms. McCarthy and the members of the California Subclass seek all remedies allowed by law including the revocation of acceptance of the goods and the return to Plaintiffs and the other Nevada Class members of the purchase price of the FasciaBlasters.

ELEVENTH COUNT BREACH OF IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY UNDER NEVADA LAW, N.R.S. §§ 104.2314 and 104A.2212

- 230. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
 - 231. Defendants were at all relevant times "merchants" under Nevada law.
 - 232. The FasciaBlasters, at all relevant times, were "goods" under Nevada
 - 233. A warranty that the FasciaBlasters were merchantable and fit for the

- 241. The Arizona Consumer Fraud Act Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 44-1522(A) provides that "[t]he act, use or employment by any person of any deception, deceptive act or practice, fraud, ... misrepresentation, or concealment, suppression or omission of any material fact with intent that others rely upon such concealment, suppression or omission, in connection with the sale ... of any merchandise whether or not any person has in fact been misled, deceived or damaged thereby, is declared to be an unlawful practice."
- 242. Defendants advertised the FasciaBlasters as having certain health benefits and sold them to the public when they knew the FasciaBlaster did not have those health benefits.
- 243. Defendants intended that consumers would rely on the misrepresentations concerning the health benefits of the FasciaBlasters.
- 244. Defendants knew or should have known that their conduct violated the Arizona Consumer Fraud Act.
- 245. Ms. Campbell and the Arizona Subclass suffered actual damages and an ascertainable loss as a direct and proximate result of Defendants' misrepresentations.
- 246. Defendants' violations present an ongoing risk to the public and affect the public interest.
- 247. Ms. Campbell and the Arizona Subclass seek their actual damages, punitive damages, an order enjoining Defendants from making the

FOURTEENTH COUNT 1 Breach of Implied Warranty Under Arizona Law 2 (Ariz. Rev. Stat. 47-2314 and 47-2A212) (Brought by Ms. Campbell on Behalf of Arizona Subclass) 3 Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in the 4 255. 5 foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein. 6 256. Defendants are and were at all relevant times "merchants" under Ariz. 7 8 Rev. Stat. §§ 47-2104(A) and 47-2a103(c). 9 The FasciaBlasters are goods under Ariz. Rev. Stat. §§ 47-2105(A) 257. 10 and 47-2a103(A)(8). 11 12 258. An implied warranty of merchantability arose with respect to the 13 Arizona Subclass members when they purchased the FasciaBlasters. 14 259. Under the implied warranty of merchantability, goods must be fit for 15 16 the ordinary purpose for which they are used. 17 The ordinary purpose for which the FasciaBlasters are used is to 18 achieve the health benefits promised by the Defendants. 19 20 The Defendants have breached the implied warranty of merchantability 261. 21 because the FasciaBlasters do not confer the health benefits promised by the 22 Defendants. 23 24 262. Ms. Campbell and the members of the Arizona Subclass have been 25 damaged by Defendants' breach of the implied warranty of merchantability in an 26 amount to be determined at trial. 27

FIFTEENTH COUNT 1 VIOLATION OF FLORIDA'S UNFAIR AND DECEPTIVE TRADE 2 PRACTICES ACT. FLA. STAT. § 501.201. et sea. (on behalf of Ms. Smith and the Florida Subclass) 3 263. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in all 4 5 the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein. 6 264. Ms. Smith is a consumer under Fla. Stat. § 501.203(7). 7 8 Defendants were engaged in commerce under Fla. Stat. § 501.203(8). 265. 9 The Florida Unfair and Deceptive Trade Practices Act at Fla. Stat. § 266. 10 501.204(1) prohibits "unfair methods of competition, unconscionable acts or 11 12 practices, and unfair or deceptive acts or practices in the conduct of any trade or 13 commerce." 14 267. Defendants advertised the FasciaBlasters as having certain health 15 16 benefits and sold them to the public when they knew the FasciaBlaster did not have 17 those health benefits. 18 These misrepresentations constitute "unfair or deceptive acts or 268. 19 20 practices." 21 269. Ms. Smith and the Florida Subclass members were deceived by this 22 conduct and suffered ascertainable loss and actual damages as a direct and 23 24 proximate result of these misrepresentations. Had Ms. Smith or members of the 25 Florida Subclass known the truth about the FasciaBlaster, they would not have 26 purchased it or would not have paid as much as they did for it. 27

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1	270.	Ms. Smith and the Florida Subclass seek damages, attorneys' fees and
2	all other app	propriate relief under the Florida Deceptive Trade Practices Act.
3		SIXTEENTH COUNT
4	<u>B</u>	REACH OF EXPRESS WARRANTY UNDER FLORIDA LAW,
5		F.S.A. §§ 672.313 and 680.21 (On behalf of Ms. Smith and the Florida Subclass)
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7	271.	Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in the
8	foregoing p	aragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
9	272.	Defendants, at all relevant times, were "merchants" and "sellers."
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11	273.	The FasciaBlasters, at all relevant times, were "goods."
12	274.	In connection with the sale of the FasciaBlasters, Defendants expressly
13	 warranted tl	hat the FasciaBlaster would confer certain health benefits, as described
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15	above.	
16	275.	Defendants knowingly breached their express warranties because the
17	 FasciaBlast	ers do not convey the promised health benefits.
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19	276.	Ms. Smith provided notice of the breach by letter of November 16,
20	2017.	
21	277	As a result of Defendants breach of express warranty, Ms. Smith and
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23	the member	s of the Florida Subclass are entitled to their damages in an amount to be
24	determined	at trial.
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SEVENTEENTH COUNT 1 BREACH OF IMPLIED WARRANT **OF MERCHANTABILITY** 2 UNDER FLORIDA LAW (Florida Stat. Ann. §§ 672.314 and 680.212) (On Behalf of Ms. Smith and the Florida Subclass) 3 278. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in the 4 5 foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein. 6 279. Defendants, at all relevant times, were "merchants" and a "sellers" 7 8 under Florida law. 9 The Products, at all relevant times, were "goods." 280. 10 An implied warranty of merchantability arose with respect to the 11 12 Florida Subclass members when they purchased the FasciaBlasters. 13 282. Under the implied warranty of merchantability, goods must be fit for 14 the ordinary purpose for which they are used. 15 16 The ordinary purpose for which the FasciaBlasters are used is to 17 achieve the health benefits promised by the Defendants. 18 The Defendants have breached the implied warranty of merchantability 19 20 because the FasciaBlasters do not confer the health benefits promised by the 21 Defendants. 22 285. Ms. Smith provided notice of Defendants' breach by letter of 23 24 November 16, 2017. 25 286. Ms. Smith and the Florida Subclass have been damaged by Defendants' 26 breach in an amount to be proven at trial. 27 28

1	<u>EIGHTEENTH COUNT</u> VIOLATIONS OF MISSISSIPPI CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT
2	(Miss. Code. Ann. § 75-24-1, et seq.)
3	(Brought by Ms. Dennis on Behalf of the Mississippi Subclass)
4	287. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in the
5	foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
7	288. The Mississippi Consumer Protection Act ("Mississippi CPA")
8	prohibits "unfair or deceptive trade practices in or affecting commerce." Miss. Code.
9 10	Ann. § 75-24-5(1).
11	289. Defendants violated the Mississippi Consumer Protection Act by:
12	(a) Representing that the FasciaBlaster has characteristics, uses or benefits that it
13 14	does not have, in violation of § 75-24-5(1)(e);
15	(b) Representing that the FasciaBlaster is of a particular standard, quality, or
16	grade when it is not, in violation of § 75-24-5(1)(g); and
17 18	(c) Advertising the FasciaBlaster with the intent not to sell it as advertised, in
19	violation of § 75-24-5(1)(i).
20	290. Defendants intentionally misrepresented the health benefits concerning
21 22	the use of the FasciaBlaster and knew or should have known that their conduct
23	violated the Mississippi Consumer Protection Act.
24	291. Ms. Dennis and the Mississippi Subclass have suffered actual damage
25	as a result of Defendants' conduct in an amount to be determined at trial.
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NINETEENTH COUNT 1 BREACH OF EXPRESS WARRANT TY UNDER MISSISSIPPI LAW 2 (Miss. Code §§ 75-2-313 and 75-2A-210) (Brought by Ms. Dennis on behalf of the Mississippi Subclass) 3 292. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in the 4 5 foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein. 6 293. At all times Defendants were "merchants" and "sellers" under 7 8 Mississippi law. 9 The FasciaBlasters are "goods" under Mississippi law. 10 295. In connection with the sale of the FasciaBlaster, Defendants expressly 11 12 warranted that the FasciaBlaster would confer certain health benefits, as described 13 above. 14 296. Defendants knew at the time of sale that the FasciaBlasters did not live 15 16 up to their warranties. 17 297. Ms. Dennis and the members of the Mississippi Subclass have been 18 damaged by the Defendants' breach of warranty. 19 20 298. Ms. Dennis and the members of the Mississippi Subclass seek full 21 refunds and all other damages and remedies permitted by law. 22 23 24 25 26 27

TWENTIETH COUNT 1 **BREACH OF MISSISSIPPI'S** IED WARRANTY OF 2 (Miss. Code §§ 75-2-314 and 75-2A-212) 3 (Brought by Ms. Dennis on behalf of the Mississippi Subclass) 4 299. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in the 5 foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein. 6 7 Defendants are "merchants" under Miss. Code § 75-2-104(1). 300. 8 The FasciaBlasters are "goods" under Miss. Code § 75-2-105(1). 301. 9 10 302. An implied warranty of merchantability arose with respect to the sale 11 of the FasciaBlaster under Miss. Code §§ 75-2-314 and 75-2A-212. 12 303. Under the implied warranty of merchantability, goods must be fit for 13 14 the ordinary purpose for which they are used. 15 The ordinary purpose for which the FasciaBlasters are used is to 16 achieve the health benefits promised by the Defendants as described above. 17 18 The Defendants have breached the implied warranty of merchantability 19 because the FasciaBlasters do not confer the health benefits promised by the 20 Defendants. 21 22 As a result of the Defendants' breach of the implied warranty of 306. 23 merchantability Ms. Dennis and the Mississippi Subclass have been damaged in an 24 amount to be proven at trial. 25 26 27 28

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2	VIOLE	ATIONS OF THE LOUISIANA UNFAIR TRADE PRACTICES AND CONSUMER PROTECTION LAW
3		(La. Rev. Stat. § 51:1401, et seq.)
4	<u>Bro</u>	ought by Ms. Frederick on Behalf of the Louisiana Subclass)
5	307.	Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in the
6	foregoing pa	aragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
7 8	308.	Defendants, Plaintiffs, and the Louisiana Class are "persons" within
9	the meaning	g of La. Rev. Stat. § 51:1402(8).
10	309.	1652. Plaintiffs and the Louisiana Class are "consumers" within the
11	meaning of	La. Rev. Stat. § 51:1402(1).
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13	310.	Defendants engaged in "trade" or "commerce" within the meaning of
14	La. Rev. Sta	nt. § 51:1402(10).
15	311.	The Louisiana Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law
16 17	makes unlay	wful "deceptive acts or practices in the conduct of any trade or
18	commerce."	La. Rev. Stat. § 51:1405(A).
19	312.	Defendants engaged in "deceptive acts or practices" by representing
20		of the FasciaBlasters could confer the promised health benefits.
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22	313.	Contrary to Defendants' representations, the FasciaBlaster cannot
23 24	confer these	health benefits.
25	314.	Defendants' misrepresentations were material to Plaintiffs' and Class
26	Members' d	lecision to purchase the FasciaBlaster and to pay the price they did for it.
27 28		Defendants made their untrue and/or misleading statements and

324. Ms. Frederick and the Louisiana Subclass have been damaged in an

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TWENTY-THIRD COUNT
VIOLATION OF OTHER STATE CONSUMER PROTECTION STATUTES
(On Behalf of Plaintiffs and All Class Members)

- 325. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in all the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 326. Plaintiffs and Class Members have been injured as a result of Defendants' violations of the following state consumer protection statutes, which also provide a basis for redress to Plaintiffs and Class Members based on Defendants' fraudulent, deceptive, unfair and unconscionable acts, practices and conduct.
- 327. Defendants' conduct as alleged herein violates the consumer protection, unfair trade practices and deceptive acts laws of each of the following jurisdictions:
 - a. **Alaska:** Defendants' practices violated Alaska's Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Act, Alaska Stat. § 45.50.471, *et seq.*
 - b. **Arkansas:** Defendants' practices violated Arkansas Code Ann. § 4-88-101, *et seq*.
 - c. **Colorado**: Defendants' practices violated Colorado's Consumer Protection Act, Colo. Rev. Stat. §§ 61-1-101, *et seq*.
 - d. Connecticut: Defendants' practices violated Connecticut's Gen. Stat.§ 42-110a, et seq.
 - e. **Delaware:** Defendants' practices violated Delaware's Consumer Fraud 58

- 328. Defendants violated the aforementioned states' unfair and deceptive acts and practices laws by representing that the use of the FasciaBlasters could confer the promised health benefits.
- 329. Contrary to Defendants' representations, the FasciaBlaster cannot confer these health benefits.
- 330. Defendants' misrepresentations were material to Plaintiffs' and Class Members' decision to purchase the FasciaBlaster and to pay the price they did for it.
- 331. Defendants made their untrue and/or misleading statements and representations willfully, wantonly, and with reckless disregard for the truth.
- 332. Pursuant to the aforementioned states' unfair and deceptive practices laws, Plaintiffs and Class Members are entitled to recover compensatory damages, restitution, punitive and special damages including but not limited to treble damages, reasonable attorneys' fees and costs and other injunctive or declaratory relief as deemed appropriate or permitted pursuant to the relevant law.

TWENTY-FOURTH COUNT BREACH OF EXPRESS WARRANTY LAWS OF OTHER STATES (On Behalf of Plaintiffs and All Class Members)

- 333. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
- 334. Defendants provided the Plaintiffs and Class Members with an express warranty in the form of written affirmations of fact promising and representing that the use of the FasciaBlaster will confer the promised health benefits.

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348. The inability of the FasciaBlaster to confer the promised health benefits was wholly the Defendants' fault and without Plaintiff's or Class Members' fault or neglect, and was solely due to the Defendants' manufacture and distribution of the FasciaBlaster to the public.

349. As a result of the foregoing, Plaintiffs and Class Members have been damaged in the amount paid for the FasciaBlaster together with interest thereon from the date of purchase.

TWENTY-SIXTH COUNT BREACH OF IMPLIED WARRANTY OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE LAWS OF OTHER STATES (On Behalf of Plaintiffs and All Class Members)

350. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

- 351. Defendants knew or had reason to know that the Plaintiffs and other Class Members were buying the FasciaBlaster with the specific purpose of buying a product that could confer the promised health benefits.
- 352. Plaintiffs and the other Class Members relied on the Defendants' statements in selecting FasciaBlaster to fit their specific intended use, which was to achieve the promised health benefits.
- 353. Defendants held themselves out as having particular knowledge of the FasciaBlaster and its health benefits. Plaintiffs' and Class Members' reliance on Defendants in selecting Defendants' Product to fit their particular purpose was

reasonable given Defendants' claims and representations in their advertising and statements concerning the health benefits conferred by the use of the FasciaBlaster.

- 354. Plaintiffs and the other Class Members' reliance on Defendants in selecting the FasciaBlaster to fit their particular use was reasonable given Defendants' particular knowledge of the FasciaBlaster.
- 355. As a result of the foregoing, Plaintiffs and Class Members have been damaged in the amount paid for the FasciaBlasters, together with interest thereon from the date of purchase.

TWENTY-SEVENTH COUNT UNJUST ENRICHMENT (On Behalf of Plaintiffs and All Class Members)

- 356. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.
 - 357. Defendants have benefited by knowingly selling a worthless product.
 - 358. Defendants have received and retained the benefits of the sales.
- 359. It is unjust, unconscionable, and inequitable for Defendant to retain these benefits.
- 360. As a result of Defendants' misconduct, Defendants should be required to disgorge the amount of their unjust enrichment in an amount to be determined at trial.

JURY DEMAND Plaintiffs demand a trial by jury on all issues. **PRAYER FOR RELIEF** WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs, on behalf of themselves and the Class, pray for judgment as follows: (a) Declaring this action to be a proper class action and certifying Plaintiffs as the representative of the nationwide Class under Rule 23 of the FRCP; (b) Awarding monetary damages, including treble damages; (c) Awarding injunctive relief preventing the Defendants from continuing to sell the FasciaBlaster and make false and unsupportable statements in advertising the FasciaBlaster; (d) Awarding punitive damages; (e) Awarding Plaintiffs and Class Members their costs and expenses incurred in this action, including reasonable allowance of fees for Plaintiffs' attorneys and experts, and reimbursement of Plaintiffs' expenses; and (f) Granting such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

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