UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

EMILY GELLATLY and CEARA NARIO-REDMOND, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Case No. 1:17-cv-147

Plaintiffs,

v.

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DDR CORP.,

Defendant.

NATIONWIDE CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT

COME NOW, Emily Gellatly and Ceara Nario-Redmond ("Plaintiffs") on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated and allege as follows:

INTRODUCTION

1. Plaintiffs bring this action individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated against DDR Corp. ("Defendant"), alleging violations of Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C. § 12101 *et seq.*, (the "ADA") and its implementing regulations, in connection with accessibility barriers in the parking lots and paths of travel at various public accommodations that Defendant owns, operates, controls, and/or leases ("Defendant's facilities").

2. Plaintiff Emily Gellatly ("Plaintiff Gellatly") has a mobility disability and is limited in the major life activity of walking. Because of this mobility disability, she depends upon a wheelchair for mobility.

3. Plaintiff Ceara Nario-Redmond ("Plaintiff Nario-Redmond") suffers from Spina Bifida which limits her in the major life activity of walking. Plaintiff Nario-Redmond has used a wheelchair for mobility since she was four.

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4. Plaintiffs have visited Defendant's facilities and were denied full and equal access as a result of Defendant's inaccessible parking lots and paths of travel.

5. Plaintiffs' experiences are not isolated—Defendant has systematically discriminated against individuals with mobility disabilities by implementing policies and practices that consistently violate the ADA's accessibility guidelines and routinely result in access barriers at Defendant's parking facilities.

6. In fact, numerous facilities owned, controlled and/or operated by Defendant has parking lots and paths of travel that are inaccessible to individuals who rely on wheelchairs for mobility, demonstrating that the centralized policies and practices Defendant employs with regard to the design, construction, alteration, maintenance and operation of its facilities cause access barriers, and/or allow them to develop and persist at Defendant's facilities.

7. Unless Defendant is required to remove the access barriers described below, and required to change its policies and practices so that access barriers do not reoccur at Defendant's facilities, Plaintiffs and the proposed Class will continue to be denied full and equal access to those facilities as described, and will be deterred from fully using Defendant's facilities.

8. The ADA expressly contemplates injunctive relief aimed at modification of a policy or practice that Plaintiffs seeks in this action. In relevant part, the ADA states:

[i]n the case of violations of...this title, injunctive relief shall include an order to alter facilities to make such facilities readily accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities....Where appropriate, injunctive relief shall also include requiring the...modification of a policy....

42 U.S.C. § 12188(a)(2).

9. Consistent with 42 U.S.C. § 12188, Plaintiffs seek a permanent injunction requiring:

i. that Defendant remediate all parking and path of travel access barriers at its

facilities, consistent with the ADA;

- ii. that Defendant change its corporate policies and practices so that the parking and path of travel access barriers at its facilities do not reoccur; and,
- iii. that Plaintiffs' representatives shall monitor Defendant's facilities to ensure that the injunctive relief ordered pursuant to Paragraph 5(a) and 5(b) has been implemented and will remain in place.

10. Plaintiffs' claims for permanent injunctive relief are asserted as class claims

pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(b)(2). Rule 23(b)(2) was specifically intended to be utilized in civil

rights cases where the Plaintiffs seek injunctive relief for their own benefit and the benefit of a

class of similarly situated individuals. To that end, the note to the 1996 amendment to Rule 23

states:

Subdivision(b)(2). This subdivision is intended to reach situations where a party has taken action or refused to take action with respect to a class, and final relief of an injunctive nature or a corresponding declaratory nature, settling the legality of the behavior with respect to the class as a whole, is appropriate....Illustrative are various actions in the civil rights field where a party is charged with discriminating unlawfully against a class, usually one whose members are incapable of specific enumeration.

THE ADA AND ITS IMPLEMENTING REGULATIONS

11. The ADA was enacted over a quarter century ago and is intended to "provide a clear and comprehensive national mandate for the elimination of discrimination against individuals with disabilities." 42 U.S.C. § 12101(b)(1).

12. The ADA broadly protects the rights of individuals with disabilities in employment,

access to State and local government services, places of public accommodation, transportation, and other important areas of American life.

13. Title III of the ADA generally prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities in the full and equal enjoyment of public accommodations, 42 U.S.C. § 12182(a), and prohibits places of public accommodation, either directly, or through contractual, licensing, or

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other arrangements, from outright denying individuals with disabilities the opportunity to participate in a place of public accommodation, 42 U.S.C. § 12182(b)(1)(A)(i), or denying individuals with disabilities the opportunity to fully and equally participate in a place of public accommodation, 42 U.S.C. § 12182(b)(1)(A)(ii).

14. Title III further prohibits places of public accommodation from utilizing methods of administration that have the effect of discriminating on the basis of a disability. 42 U.S.C. § 12182(b)(1)(D).

15. Entities, like Defendant, are public accommodations. 42 U.S.C. § 12181(7).

16. Title III and its implementing regulations define discrimination to include the following:

- a) Failure to remove architectural barriers when such removal is readily achievable for places of public accommodation that existed prior to January 26, 1992, 28 CFR § 36.304(a) and 42 U.S.C. § 12182(b)(2)(A)(iv);
- b) Failure to design and construct places of public accommodation for first occupancy after January 26, 1993, that are readily accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities, 28 C.F.R. § 36.401 and 42 U.S.C. § 12183(a)(1);
- c) For alterations to public accommodations made after January 26, 1992, failure to make alterations so that the altered portions of the public accommodation are readily accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities, 28 C.F.R. § 36.402 and 42 U.S.C. § 12183(a)(2); and
- d) Failure to maintain those features of public accommodations that are required to be readily accessible to and usable by persons with disabilities, 28 C.F.R. § 36.211.
- 17. The remedies and procedures set forth at 42 U.S.C. § 2000a-3(a) are provided to

any person who is being subjected to discrimination on the basis of disability or who has reasonable grounds for believing that such person is about to be subjected to discrimination in violation of 42 U.S.C. § 12183. 42 U.S.C. 12188(a)(1).

18. The ADA also provides for specific injunctive relief, which includes, but is not limited to, the following:

In the case of violations of sections 12182(b)(2)(A)(iv) and section 12183(a) of this title, injunctive relief shall include an order to alter facilities to make such facilities readily accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities to the extent required by this subchapter. Where appropriate, injunctive relief shall also include...modification of a policy...to the extent required by this subchapter.

42 U.S.C. § 12188(a)(2); 28 C.F.R. § 36.501(b).

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

This Court has federal question jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331 and 42
 U.S.C. § 12188.

20. Plaintiffs' claims asserted herein arose in this judicial district and Defendants do substantial business in this judicial district.

21. Venue in this judicial district is proper under 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)(2) in that this is the judicial district in which a substantial part of the events and/or omissions at issue occurred.

PARTIES

22. Plaintiff Gellatly is and, at all times relevant hereto, was a resident of the State of Ohio. As described above, as a result of her disability, Plaintiff Gellatly relies upon a wheelchair for mobility. She is therefore a member of a protected class under the ADA, 42 U.S.C. § 12102(2) and the regulations implementing the ADA set forth at 28 CFR §§ 36.101 *et seq*.

23. Plaintiff Nario-Redmond, is and, at all times relevant hereto, was a resident of Kent, OH. As a result of her disability, Plaintiff Nario-Redmond relies upon a wheelchair for mobility, and is therefore a member of a protected class under the ADA, 42 U.S.C. § 12102(2) and the regulations implementing the ADA set forth at 28 CFR §§ 36.101 *et seq*.

24. Defendant DDR Corp. is an Ohio corporation and is headquartered at 3300 Enterprise Parkway, Beachwood, Ohio 44122. DDR Corp. is a real estate investment trust and is among the nation's largest owners of high-quality, open-air shopping centers located in top markets across the United States. *See* http://www.ddr.com/ (last accessed on June 1, 2017).

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25. Defendant is a public accommodation pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §12181(7).

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

1. Plaintiffs were Denied Full and Equal Access to Defendant's Facilities.

26. Plaintiff Gellatly has visited Defendant's locations at 7165 Peach Street, Erie, PA; 6807 Peach Street, Erie, PA; 6755 Peach Street, Erie, PA; 1910 Rotunda Drive, Erie, PA; 1946 Douglas Parkway, Erie, PA (collectively the "Subject Properties"), including within the last year. Additionally, Plaintiff Nario-Redmond visited Defendant's location at 1946 Douglas Parkway, Erie, PA, including within the last year. Plaintiffs experienced unnecessary difficulty and risk at Defendant's locations due to excessive slopes in the purportedly accessible parking spaces and access aisles and because of various other ADA accessibility violations as set forth in more detail below.

27. Despite this difficulty, Plaintiff Gellatly plans to return to the Subject Properties. Plaintiff Gellatly will be attending college in Western Pennsylvania starting this summer. Furthermore, Plaintiff Gellatly intends to return to Defendant's facilities, including the Subject Properties, to ascertain whether Defendants' facilities remain in violation of the ADA.

28. Plaintiff Nario-Redmond plans to return to Defendant's location at 1946 Douglas Parkway, Erie, PA. Plaintiff Nario-Redmond frequently travels throughout Western Pennsylvania while visiting friends. Furthermore, Plaintiff Nario-Redmond intends to return to Defendant's facilities to ascertain whether those facilities remain in violation of the ADA.

29. Plaintiffs will be deterred from returning to and fully and safely accessing Defendants' facilities, however, so long as Defendants' facilities remain non-compliant, and so long as Defendants continue to employ the same policies and practices that have led, and in the future will lead, to inaccessibility at their facilities.

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30. As a result of Defendant's non-compliance with the ADA, Plaintiffs' ability to access and safely use Defendants' facilities have been significantly impeded.

31. Without injunctive relief, Plaintiffs will continue to be unable to fully and safely access Defendant's facilities in violation of their rights under the ADA.

32. As individuals with mobility disabilities who are dependent upon a wheelchair, Plaintiffs are directly interested in whether public accommodations, like Defendant, have architectural barriers that impede full accessibility to those accommodations by individuals with mobility-related disabilities.

2. Defendant Repeatedly Denies Individuals With Disabilities Full and Equal Access to its Facilities.

33. As the common owner, controller and/or operator of its facilities, Defendant employs centralized policies and practices with regard to the design, construction, alteration and maintenance of its facilities.

34. To date, Defendant's centralized design, construction, alteration, maintenance and operational policies and practices have systematically and routinely violated the ADA by designing, constructing and altering facilities so that they are not readily accessible and usable, by failing to remove architectural barriers, and by failing to maintain and operate facilities so that the accessible features of Defendant's facilities are maintained.

35. On Plaintiffs' behalf, investigators examined multiple locations owned, controlled, and/or operated by Defendant, and found the following violations, which are illustrative of the fact that Defendant implements policies and practices that routinely result in accessibility violations:

- a) 7165 Peach Street, Erie, PA
 - i. The surfaces of one or more purportedly accessible parking spaces had slopes exceeding 2.1%;
 - ii. The surfaces of one or more access aisles had slopes exceeding 2.1%; and,

- iii. A curb ramp located on the route to the building had a running slope exceeding 8.3%.
- b) 6807 Peach Street, Erie, PA
 - i. The surfaces of one or more purportedly accessible parking spaces had slopes exceeding 2.1%; and,
 - ii. The surfaces of one or more access aisles had slopes exceeding 2.1%.
- c) 6755 Peach Street, Erie, PA
 - i. No spaces were designated as "van accessible" at one or more groups of purportedly accessible parking spaces.
- d) 1901 Rotunda Drive, Erie, PA
 - i. The surfaces of one or more purportedly accessible parking spaces had slopes exceeding 2.1%; and,
 - ii. The surfaces of one or more access aisles had slopes exceeding 2.1%.
- e) 1910 Rotunda Drive, Erie, PA
 - i. The surfaces of one or more purportedly accessible parking spaces had slopes exceeding 2.1%; and,
 - ii. No spaces were designated as "van accessible" at one or more groups of purportedly accessible parking spaces.
- f) 1946 Douglas Parkway, Erie, PA
 - i. A curb ramp projected into an access aisle; and,
 - ii. One or more purportedly accessible spaces were not marked with required signs.
- g) 1380 N. Litchfield Road, Goodyear, AZ
 - i. The surfaces of one or more purportedly accessible parking spaces had slopes exceeding 2.1%; and,
 - ii. The surfaces of one or more access aisles had slopes exceeding 2.1%.
- h) 10865 N. Tatum Blvd., Phoenix, AZ
 - i. The surfaces of one or more purportedly accessible parking spaces had slopes exceeding 2.1%; and,

- ii. The surfaces of one or more access aisles had slopes exceeding 2.1%.
- i) 9647 E. County Line Road, Englewood, CO
 - i. The surfaces of one or more purportedly accessible parking spaces had slopes exceeding 2.1%;
 - ii. The surfaces of one or more access aisles had slopes exceeding 2.1%; and,
 - iii. No spaces were designated as "van accessible" at one or more groups of purportedly accessible parking spaces.
- j) 11183 S. Parker Road, Parker, CO
 - i. The surfaces of one or more purportedly accessible parking spaces had slopes exceeding 2.1%.
- k) 11305 S. Parker Road, Parker, CO
 - i. The surfaces of one or more purportedly accessible parking spaces had slopes exceeding 2.1%;
 - ii. The surfaces of one or more access aisles had slopes exceeding 2.1%;
 - iii. A curb ramp located on the route to the building had a running slope exceeding 8.3%;
 - iv. One or more purportedly accessible spaces were not marked with required signs; and,
 - v. No spaces were designated as "van accessible" at one or more groups of purportedly accessible parking spaces.
- l) 3295 S. Tamarac Drive, Denver, CO
 - i. The surfaces of one or more purportedly accessible parking spaces had slopes exceeding 2.1%; and,
 - ii. The surfaces of one or more access aisles had slopes exceeding 2.1%.
- m) 9571 W. Colonial Drive, Oloee, FL
 - i. The surfaces of one or more purportedly accessible parking spaces had slopes exceeding 2.1%; and,
 - ii. A curb ramp located on the route to the building had a running slope exceeding 8.3%.
- 36. The fact that so many of Defendant's facilities deny individuals with mobility-

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related disabilities full and equal access to Defendant's facilities, and the fact that each of these facilities deny access by way of inaccessible parking facilities, is evidence that the inaccessibility Plaintiffs experienced is not isolated, but rather, caused by Defendant's systemic disregard for the rights of individuals with disabilities.

37. Defendant's systemic access violations demonstrate that Defendant's policies and practices fail to design, construct and alter its facilities so that they are readily accessible and usable, and/or that Defendant's maintenance and operational policies and practices are unable to maintain accessibility of Defendant's facilities.

38. As evidenced by the widespread inaccessibility of Defendant's parking facilities, absent a change in Defendant's corporate policies and practices, access barriers are likely to reoccur in Defendant's facilities even after they have been remediated.

39. Accordingly, Plaintiffs seek an injunction to remove the barriers currently present at Defendant's facilities and an injunction to modify the policies and practices that have created or allowed, and will create and allow, inaccessibility to affect Defendant's network of facilities.

CLASS ALLEGATIONS

40. Plaintiffs bring this class action on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated pursuant to Rules 23(a) and 23(b)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and seek to certify a class of all wheelchair users who have attempted, or will attempt, to utilize the parking facilities at all locations across the United States for which Defendant owns and/or controls the parking facilities.

41. <u>Numerosity</u>: The class described above is so numerous that joinder of all individual members in one action would be impracticable. The disposition of the individual claims of the respective class members through this class action will benefit both the parties and this Court, and

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will facilitate judicial economy.

42. <u>Typicality</u>: Plaintiffs' claims are typical of the claims of the members of the class. The claims of the Plaintiffs and members of the class are based on the same legal theories and arise from the same unlawful conduct.

43. <u>Common Questions of Fact and Law</u>: There is a well-defined community of interest and common questions of fact and law affecting members of the class in that they all have been and/or are being denied their civil rights to full and equal access to, and use and enjoyment of, Defendant's facilities and/or services due to Defendant's failure to make its facilities fully accessible and independently usable as above described.

44. <u>Adequacy of Representation</u>: Plaintiffs are adequate representatives of the class because their interests do not conflict with the interests of the members of the class. Plaintiffs will fairly, adequately, and vigorously represent and protect the interests of the members of the class and have no interests antagonistic to the members of the class. Plaintiffs have retained counsel who are competent and experienced in the prosecution of class action litigation, generally, and who possess specific expertise in the context of class litigation under the ADA.

45. Class certification is appropriate pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(b)(2) because Defendant has acted or refused to act on grounds generally applicable to the Class, making appropriate both declaratory and injunctive relief with respect to Plaintiffs and the Class as a whole.

SUBSTANTIVE VIOLATION

46. The allegations contained in the previous paragraphs are incorporated by reference.

47. On information and belief, Defendant's facilities were altered, designed, or constructed, after the effective date of the ADA.

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48. Defendant's facilities are required to be altered, designed, and constructed so that they are readily accessible to and usable by individuals who use wheelchairs. 42 U.S.C. § 12183(a).

49. Further, the accessible features of Defendant's facilities, which include the parking lots and paths of travel, are required to be maintained so that they are readily accessible to and usable by individuals with mobility disabilities. 28 U.S.C. § 36.211.

50. The architectural barriers described above demonstrate that Defendant's facilities were not altered, designed, or constructed in a manner that causes them to be readily accessible to and usable by individuals who use wheelchairs, and/or that Defendant's facilities were not maintained so as to ensure that they remained accessible to and usably by individuals who use wheelchairs.

51. Furthermore, the architectural barriers described above demonstrate that Defendant has failed to remove barriers, as required by 42 U.S.C. Section 12182(b)(2)(A)(iv).

52. Defendant's repeated and systemic failures to design, construct and alter facilities so that they are readily accessible and usable, to remove architectural barriers, and to maintain the accessible features of its facilities constitute unlawful discrimination on the basis of a disability in violation of Title III of the ADA.

53. Defendant's facilities are required to comply with the Department of Justice's 2010 Standards for Accessible Design, or in some cases the 1991 Standards 42 U.S.C. § 12183(a)(1); 28 C.F.R. § 36.406; 28 C.F.R., pt. 36, app. A.

54. Defendant is required to provide individuals who use wheelchairs full and equal enjoyment of its facilities. 42 U.S.C. § 12182(a).

55. Defendant has failed, and continues to fail, to provide individuals who use wheelchairs with full and equal enjoyment of its facilities.

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56. Defendant has discriminated against Plaintiffs and the Class in that it has failed to make its facilities fully accessible to, and independently usable by, individuals who use wheelchairs in violation of 42 U.S.C. § 12182(a) as described above.

57. Defendant's conduct is ongoing and continuous, and Plaintiffs have been harmed by Defendant's conduct.

58. Unless Defendant is restrained from continuing its ongoing and continuous course of conduct Defendant will continue to violate the ADA and will continue to inflict injury upon Plaintiffs and the Class.

59. Given that Defendant has not complied with the ADA's requirements to make its facilities fully accessible to, and independently usable by, individuals who use wheelchairs, Plaintiffs invoke their statutory rights to declaratory and injunctive relief, as well as costs and attorneys' fees.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs, on behalf of themselves and the members of the class, prays for:

- a. A declaratory judgment that Defendant is in violation of the specific requirements of Title III of the ADA described above, and the relevant implementing regulations of the ADA, in that Defendant's facilities, as described above, are not fully accessible to, and independently usable by, individuals who use wheelchairs;
- b. A permanent injunction pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 12188(a)(2) and 28 CFR § 36.501(b) which directs Defendant to: (i) take all steps necessary to remove the architectural barriers described above and to bring its facilities into full compliance with the requirements set forth in the ADA, and its implementing regulations, so that its facilities are fully accessible to, and independently usable by, individuals who use wheelchairs; (ii) that Defendant change its corporate policies and practices to prevent the reoccurrence of access barriers post-remediation; and, (iii) that Plaintiffs shall monitor Defendant's facilities to ensure that the injunctive relief ordered above remains in place.
- c. An Order certifying the class proposed by Plaintiffs, and naming Plaintiffs as class representative and appointing their counsel as class counsel;
- d. Payment of costs of suit;

- e. Payment of reasonable attorneys' fees, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 12205 and 28 CFR § 36.505; and,
- f. The provision of whatever other relief the Court deems just, equitable and appropriate.

Dated: June 6, 2017

Respectfully Submitted,

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PART A

This case belongs on the (🛛 💿 Erie O Johnstown **O**Pittsburgh) calendar.

- 1. ERIE CALENDAR If cause of action arose in the counties of Crawford, Elk, Erie, Forest, McKean. Venang or Warren, OR any plaintiff or defendant resides in one of said counties.
- 2. JOHNSTOWN CALENDAR If cause of action arose in the counties of Bedford, Blair, Cambria, Clearfield or Somerset OR any plaintiff or defendant resides in one of said counties.
- 3. Complete if on ERIE CALENDAR: I certify that the cause of action arose in Erie County and that the Plaintiff, Emily Gellatly resides in Portage County.
- 4. Complete if on JOHNSTOWN CALENDAR: I certify that the cause of action arose in County and that the resides in County.

PART B (You are to check ONE of the following)

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2. O This case is not related to a pending or terminated case.

DEFINITIONS OF RELATED CASES:

CIVIL: Civil cases are deemed related when a case filed relates to property included in another suit or involves the same issues of fact or it grows out of the same transactions as another suit or involves the validity or infringement of a patent involved in another suit EMINENT DOMAIN: Cases in contiguous closely located groups and in common ownership groups which will lend themselves to consolidation for trial shall be deemed related. HABEAS CORPUS & CIVIL RIGHTS: All habeas corpus petitions filed by the same individual shall be deemed related. All pro se Civil Rights actions by the same individual shall be deemed related.

PARTC

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I. CIVIL CATEGORY (Select the applicable category).

- 1. O Antitrust and Securities Act Cases
- 2. O Labor-Management Relations
- 3. O Habeas corpus
- 4. 💽 Civil Rights
- 5. Ŏ Patent, Copyright, and Trademark
- 6. **O** Eminent Domain
- All other federal question cases
- 7. **Ŏ** 8. **Ŏ** All personal and property damage tort cases, including maritime, FELA, Jones Act, Motor vehicle, products liability, assault, defamation, malicious prosecution, and false arrest
- 9. O Insurance indemnity, contract and other diversity cases.
 - Government Collection Cases (shall include HEW Student Loans (Education), V A Overpayment, Overpayment of Social Security, Enlistment Overpayment (Army, Navy, etc.), HUD Loans, GAO Loans (Misc. Types), Mortgage Foreclosures, SBA Loans, Civil Penalties and Coal Mine Penalty and Reclamation Fees.)

I certify that to the best of my knowledge the entries on this Case Designation Sheet are true and correct

/s/ Benjamin J. Sweet

Date: June 6, 2017

ATTORNEY AT LAW

NOTE: ALL SECTIONS OF BOTH ÔŠÞRU MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE CASE CAN BE PROCESSED.

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This complaint is part of ClassAction.org's searchable class action lawsuit database and can be found in this post: <u>Two Plaintiffs Hit DDR Corp. with Suit Over Alleged ADA Violations</u>