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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

-----X RUFINO PAVIA ESTUDILLO, individually and on behalf of others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

COMPLAINT

-against-

STEADFAST CONSTRUCTION LLC (D/B/A STEADFAST CONSTRUCTION LLC), FOSTER DEVELOPMENT LLC (D/B/A FOSTER DEVELOPMENT LLC), MORI WOLKOFF, GREGORY WOLKOFF, and PAUL LOFFRENO, COLLECTIVE ACTION UNDER 29 U.S.C. § 216(b)

ECF Case

Defendants.

Plaintiff Rufino Pavia Estudillo ("Plaintiff Pavia" or "Mr. Pavia"), individually and on behalf of others similarly situated, by and through his attorneys, Michael Faillace & Associates, P.C., upon his knowledge and belief, and as against Steadfast Construction LLC (d/b/a Steadfast Construction LLC), Foster Development LLC (d/b/a Foster Development LLC), ("Defendant Corporations"), Mori Wolkoff, Gregory Wolkoff, and Paul Loffreno, ("Individual Defendants"), (collectively, "Defendants"), alleges as follows:

NATURE OF ACTION

 Plaintiff Pavia is a former employee of Defendants Steadfast Construction LLC (d/b/a Steadfast Construction LLC), Foster Development LLC (d/b/a Foster Development LLC), Mori Wolkoff, Gregory Wolkoff, and Paul Loffreno.

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2. Defendants own, operate, or control a construction company, located at 39 Kansas Avenue, Apt A, Staten Island, NY 10305 under the names "Steadfast Construction LLC" and "Foster Development LLC".

3. Upon information and belief, individual Defendants Mori Wolkoff, Gregory Wolkoff, and Paul Loffreno, serve or served as owners, managers, principals, or agents of Defendant Corporations and, through these corporate entities, operate or operated the construction corporations as a joint or unified enterprise.

4. Plaintiff Pavia was employed as a construction worker at the construction corporations located at 39 Kansas Avenue, Apt A, Staten Island, NY 10305.

5. At all times relevant to this Complaint, Plaintiff Pavia worked for Defendants in excess of 40 hours per week, without appropriate overtime compensation for the hours that he worked.

6. Rather, Defendants failed to pay Plaintiff Pavia appropriately for any hours worked, either at the straight rate of pay or for any additional overtime premium.

7. Defendants' conduct extended beyond Plaintiff Pavia to all other similarly situated employees.

8. At all times relevant to this Complaint, Defendants maintained a policy and practice of requiring Plaintiff Pavia and other employees to work in excess of forty (40) hours per week without providing the overtime compensation required by federal and state law and regulations.

9. Plaintiff Pavia now brings this action on behalf of himself, and other similarly situated individuals, for unpaid overtime wages pursuant to the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, 29 U.S.C. § 201 *et seq.* ("FLSA"), and for violations of the N.Y. Labor Law §§ 190 *et seq.* and 650 *et seq.* (the "NYLL"), including applicable liquidated damages, interest, attorneys' fees and costs.

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10. Plaintiff Pavia seeks certification of this action as a collective action on behalf of himself, individually, and all other similarly situated employees and former employees of Defendants pursuant to 29 U.S.C. § 216(b).

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

11. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1331 (federal question) and the FLSA, and supplemental jurisdiction over Plaintiff Pavia's state law claims under 28 U.S.C. § 1367(a).

12. Venue is proper in this district under 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b) and (c) because all, or a substantial portion of, the events or omissions giving rise to the claims occurred in this district, Defendants maintain their corporate headquarters and offices within this district, and Defendants operate a construction company located in this district. Further, Plaintiff Pavia was employed by Defendants in this district.

PARTIES

Plaintiff

13. Plaintiff Rufino Pavia Estudillo ("Plaintiff Pavia" or "Mr. Pavia") is an adult individual residing in Richmond County, New York.

14. Plaintiff Pavia was employed by Defendants at Steadfast Construction LLC from approximately December 2000 until on or about September 5, 2018.

15. Plaintiff Pavia consents to being a party plaintiff pursuant to 29 U.S.C. § 216(b), and brings these claims based upon the allegations herein as a representative party of a prospective class of similarly situated individuals under 29 U.S.C. § 216(b).

Defendants

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16. At all relevant times, Defendants owned, operated, or controlled a construction company, located at 39 Kansas Avenue, Apt A, Staten Island, NY 10305 under the name "Steadfast Construction LLC" and at 39 Kansas Avenue, Apt A, Staten Island, NY 10305 under the name "Foster Development LLC".

17. Upon information and belief, Steadfast Construction LLC (d/b/a Steadfast Construction LLC) is a domestic corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York. Upon information and belief, it maintains its principal place of business at 39 Kansas Avenue, Apt A, Staten Island, NY 10305.

18. Upon information and belief, Foster Development LLC (d/b/a Foster Development LLC) is a domestic corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York. Upon information and belief, it maintains its principal place of business at 39 Kansas Avenue, Apt A, Staten Island, NY 10305.

19. Defendant Mori Wolkoff is an individual engaging (or who was engaged) in business in this judicial district during the relevant time period. Defendant Mori Wolkoff is sued individually in his capacity as owner, officer and/or agent of Defendant Corporations. Defendant Mori Wolkoff possesses operational control over Defendant Corporations, an ownership interest in Defendant Corporations, and controls significant functions of Defendant Corporations. He determines the wages and compensation of the employees of Defendants, including Plaintiff Pavia, establishes the schedules of the employees, maintains employee records, and has the authority to hire and fire employees.

20. Defendant Gregory Wolkoff is an individual engaging (or who was engaged) in business in this judicial district during the relevant time period. Defendant Gregory Wolkoff is sued individually in his capacity as owner, officer and/or agent of Defendant Corporations. Defendant

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Gregory Wolkoff possesses operational control over Defendant Corporations, an ownership interest in Defendant Corporations, and controls significant functions of Defendant Corporations. He determines the wages and compensation of the employees of Defendants, including Plaintiff Pavia, establishes the schedules of the employees, maintains employee records, and has the authority to hire and fire employees.

21. Defendant Paul Loffreno is an individual engaging (or who was engaged) in business in this judicial district during the relevant time period. Defendant Paul Loffreno is sued individually in his capacity as owner, officer and/or agent of Defendant Corporations. Defendant Paul Loffreno possesses operational control over Defendant Corporations, an ownership interest in Defendant Corporations, and controls significant functions of Defendant Corporations. He determines the wages and compensation of the employees of Defendants, including Plaintiff Pavia, establishes the schedules of the employees, maintains employee records, and has the authority to hire and fire employees.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

Defendants Constitute Joint Employers

22. Defendants operate a construction company located in Rosebank section of Staten Island in New York City.

23. Individual Defendants, Mori Wolkoff, Gregory Wolkoff, and Paul Loffreno, possess operational control over Defendant Corporations, possess ownership interests in Defendant Corporations, and control significant functions of Defendant Corporations.

24. Defendants are associated and joint employers, act in the interest of each other with respect to employees, pay employees by the same method, and share control over the employees.

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25. Each Defendant possessed substantial control over Plaintiff Pavia's (and other similarly situated employees') working conditions, and over the policies and practices with respect to the employment and compensation of Plaintiff Pavia, and all similarly situated individuals, referred to herein.

26. Defendants jointly employed Plaintiff Pavia (and all similarly situated employees) and are Plaintiff Pavia's (and all similarly situated employees') employers within the meaning of 29 U.S.C. 201 *et seq.* and the NYLL.

27. In the alternative, Defendants constitute a single employer of Plaintiff Pavia and/or similarly situated individuals.

28. Upon information and belief, Individual Defendants Mori Wolkoff, Gregory Wolkoff, and Paul Loffreno operate Defendant Corporations as either alter egos of themselves and/or failed to operate Defendant Corporations as entities legally separate and apart from themselves, by among other things:

- a) failing to adhere to the corporate formalities necessary to operate Defendant Corporations as Corporations,
- b) defectively forming or maintaining the corporate entities of Defendant Corporations, by, amongst other things, failing to hold annual meetings or maintaining appropriate corporate records,
- c) transferring assets and debts freely as between all Defendants,
- d) operating Defendant Corporations for their own benefit as the sole or majority shareholders,
- e) operating Defendant Corporations for their own benefit and maintaining control over these corporations as closed Corporations,

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- f) intermingling assets and debts of their own with Defendant Corporations,
- g) diminishing and/or transferring assets of Defendant Corporations to avoid full liability as necessary to protect their own interests, and

h) Other actions evincing a failure to adhere to the corporate form.

29. At all relevant times, Defendants were Plaintiff Pavia's employers within the meaning of the FLSA and New York Labor Law. Defendants had the power to hire and fire Plaintiff Pavia, controlled the terms and conditions of employment, and determined the rate and method of any compensation in exchange for Plaintiff Pavia's services.

30. In each year from 2012 to 2018, Defendants, both separately and jointly, had a gross annual volume of sales of not less than \$500,000 (exclusive of excise taxes at the retail level that are separately stated).

31. In addition, upon information and belief, Defendants and/or their enterprise were directly engaged in interstate commerce. As an example, numerous items that were used in the construction corporations on a daily basis are goods produced outside of the State of New York.

Individual Plaintiff

32. Plaintiff Pavia is a former employee of Defendants who was employed as a construction worker.

33. Plaintiff Pavia seeks to represent a class of similarly situated individuals under 29U.S.C. 216(b).

Plaintiff Rufino Pavia Estudillo

34. Plaintiff Pavia was employed by Defendants from approximately December 2000 until on or about September 5, 2018.

35. Defendants employed Plaintiff Pavia as a construction worker.

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36. Plaintiff Pavia regularly handled goods in interstate commerce, such as construction materials and other supplies produced outside the State of New York.

37. Plaintiff Pavia's work duties required neither discretion nor independent judgment.

38. Throughout his employment with Defendants, Plaintiff Pavia regularly worked in excess of 40 hours per week.

39. From approximately September 2012 until on or about September 2018, Plaintiff Pavia worked as a construction worker from approximately 7:00 a.m. until on or about 5:00 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays (typically 60 hours per week).

40. Throughout his entire employment, Defendants paid Plaintiff Pavia his wages in a combination of check and cash.

41. From approximately September 2012 until on or about September 2018, Defendants paid Plaintiff Pavia a fixed salary of \$1,048 per week.

42. Specifically, Defendants paid Plaintiff Pavia approximately \$490 in cash and \$448.26 by check per week.

43. Defendants took improper and illegal deductions from Plaintiff Pavia's wages; specifically, starting in July 2018, Defendants deducted approximately \$110 per month from Plaintiff Pavia's weekly wages.

44. Plaintiff Pavia was not required to keep track of his time, nor to his knowledge, did the Defendants utilize any time tracking device such as punch cards, that accurately reflected his actual hours worked.

45. No notification, either in the form of posted notices or other means, was ever given to Plaintiff Pavia regarding overtime and wages under the FLSA and NYLL.

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46. Defendants did not provide Plaintiff Pavia an accurate statement of wages, as required by NYLL 195(3).

47. Defendants did not give any notice to Plaintiff Pavia, in English and in Spanish (Plaintiff Pavia's primary language), of his rate of pay, employer's regular pay day, and such other information as required by NYLL §195(1).

Defendants' General Employment Practices

48. At all times relevant to this Complaint, Defendants maintained a policy and practice of requiring Plaintiff Pavia (and all similarly situated employees) to work in excess of 40 hours a week without paying him appropriate overtime compensation as required by federal and state laws.

49. Plaintiff Pavia was a victim of Defendants' common policy and practices which violate his rights under the FLSA and New York Labor Law by, *inter alia*, not paying him the wages he was owed for the hours he worked.

50. Defendants willfully disregarded and purposefully evaded recordkeeping requirements of the FLSA and NYLL by failing to maintain accurate and complete timesheets and payroll records.

51. Defendants paid Plaintiff Pavia his wages in a combination of check and cash.

52. Defendants failed to post at the workplace, or otherwise provide to employees, the required postings or notices to employees regarding the applicable wage and hour requirements of the FLSA and NYLL.

53. Upon information and belief, these practices by Defendants were done willfully to disguise the actual number of hours Plaintiff Pavia (and similarly situated individuals) worked, and to avoid paying Plaintiff Pavia properly for his full hours worked.

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54. Defendants engaged in their unlawful conduct pursuant to a corporate policy of minimizing labor costs and denying employees compensation by knowingly violating the FLSA and NYLL.

55. Defendants' unlawful conduct was intentional, willful, in bad faith, and caused significant damages to Plaintiff Pavia and other similarly situated former workers.

56. Defendants failed to provide Plaintiff Pavia and other employees with accurate wage statements at the time of their payment of wages, containing: the dates of work covered by that payment of wages; name of employee; name of employer; address and phone number of employer; rate or rates of pay and basis thereof, whether paid by the hour, shift, day, week, salary, piece, commission, or other; gross wages; deductions; allowances, if any, claimed as part of the minimum wage; net wages; the regular hourly rate or rates of pay; the overtime rate or rates of pay; the number of regular hours worked; and the number of overtime hours worked, as required by NYLL §195(3).

57. Defendants failed to provide Plaintiff Pavia and other employees, at the time of hiring and on or before February 1 of each subsequent year, a statement in English and the employees' primary language, containing: the rate or rates of pay and basis thereof, whether paid by the hour, shift, day, week, salary, piece, commission, or other; allowances, if any, claimed as part of the minimum wage, including tip, meal, or lodging allowances; the regular pay day designated by the employer; the name of the employer; any "doing business as" names used by the employer; the physical address of the employer's main office or principal place of business, and a mailing address if different; and the telephone number of the employer, as required by New York Labor Law §195(1).

FLSA COLLECTIVE ACTION CLAIMS

58. Plaintiff Pavia brings his FLSA overtime compensation and liquidated damages claims as a collective action pursuant to FLSA Section 16(b), 29 U.S.C. § 216(b), on behalf of all

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similarly situated persons (the "FLSA Class members"), i.e., persons who are or were employed by Defendants or any of them, on or after the date that is three years before the filing of the complaint in this case (the "FLSA Class Period").

59. At all relevant times, Plaintiff Pavia and other members of the FLSA Class were similarly situated in that they had substantially similar job requirements and pay provisions, and have been subject to Defendants' common practices, policies, programs, procedures, protocols and plans including willfully failing and refusing to pay them the required overtime pay at a one and one-half their regular rates for work in excess of forty (40) hours per workweek under the FLSA and willfully failing to keep records as required under the FLSA.

60. The claims of Plaintiff Pavia stated herein are similar to those of the other employees.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

VIOLATION OF THE OVERTIME PROVISIONS OF THE FLSA

61. Plaintiff Pavia repeats and realleges all paragraphs above as though fully set forth herein.

62. At all times relevant to this action, Defendants were Plaintiff Pavia's employers (and employers of the putative FLSA Class members) within the meaning of the Fair Labor Standards Act. 29 U.S.C. § 203(d). Defendants had the power to hire and fire Plaintiff Pavia (and the FLSA Class members), controlled the terms and conditions of employment, and determined the rate and method of any compensation in exchange for his employment.

63. At all times relevant to this action, Defendants were engaged in commerce or in an industry or activity affecting commerce.

64. Defendants constitute an enterprise within the meaning of the Fair Labor Standards Act. 29 U.S.C. § 203 (r-s).

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65. Defendants, in violation of 29 U.S.C. § 207(a)(1), failed to pay Plaintiff Pavia (and the FLSA Class members) overtime compensation at a rate of one and one-half times the regular rate of pay for each hour worked in excess of forty hours in a work week.

66. Defendants' failure to pay Plaintiff Pavia (and the FLSA Class members), overtime compensation was willful within the meaning of 29 U.S.C. § 255(a).

67. Plaintiff Pavia (and the FLSA Class members) were damaged in an amount to be determined at trial.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

VIOLATION OF THE OVERTIME PROVISIONS

OF THE NEW YORK STATE LABOR LAW

68. Plaintiff Pavia repeats and realleges all paragraphs above as though fully set forth herein.

69. Defendants, in violation of N.Y. Lab. Law § 190 *et seq.*, and supporting regulations of the New York State Department of Labor, failed to pay Plaintiff Pavia overtime compensation at rates of one and one-half times the regular rate of pay for each hour worked in excess of forty hours in a work week.

70. Defendants' failure to pay Plaintiff Pavia overtime compensation was willful within the meaning of N.Y. Lab. Law § 663.

71. Plaintiff Pavia was damaged in an amount to be determined at trial.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

VIOLATION OF THE NOTICE AND RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENTS OF THE NEW YORK LABOR LAW

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72. Plaintiff Pavia repeats and realleges all paragraphs above as though fully set forth herein.

73. Defendants failed to provide Plaintiff Pavia with a written notice, in English and in Spanish (Plaintiff Pavia's primary language), containing: the rate or rates of pay and basis thereof, whether paid by the hour, shift, day, week, salary, piece, commission, or other; allowances, if any, claimed as part of the minimum wage, including tip, meal, or lodging allowances; the regular pay day designated by the employer; the name of the employer; any "doing business as" names used by the employer; the physical address of the employer's main office or principal place of business, and a mailing address if different; and the telephone number of the employer, as required by NYLL §195(1).

74. Defendants are liable to Plaintiff Pavia in the amount of \$5,000, together with costs and attorneys' fees.

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

VIOLATION OF THE WAGE STATEMENT PROVISIONS OF THE NEW YORK LABOR LAW

75. Plaintiff Pavia repeats and realleges all paragraphs above as though fully set forth herein.

76. With each payment of wages, Defendants failed to provide Plaintiff Pavia with an accurate statement listing each of the following: the dates of work covered by that payment of wages; name of employee; name of employer; address and phone number of employer; rate or rates of pay and basis thereof, whether paid by the hour, shift, day, week, salary, piece, commission, or other; gross wages; deductions; allowances, if any, claimed as part of the minimum wage; net wages; the

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regular hourly rate or rates of pay; the overtime rate or rates of pay; the number of regular hours worked; and the number of overtime hours worked, as required by NYLL 195(3).

77. Defendants are liable to Plaintiff Pavia in the amount of \$5,000, together with costs and attorneys' fees.

FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

UNLAWFUL DEDUCTIONS FROM WAGES IN VIOLATION OF THE NEW YORK LABOR LAW

78. Plaintiff Pavia repeats and realleges all paragraphs above as though set forth fully herein.

79. At all relevant times, Defendants were Plaintiff Pavia's employers within the meaning of the N.Y. Lab. Law §§ 2 and 651.

80. Defendants made unlawful deductions from Plaintiff Pavia's wages; specifically, starting in July 2018, Defendants deducted approximately \$110 per month from Plaintiff Pavia's weekly wages.

81. The deductions made from Plaintiff Pavia's wages were not authorized or required by law.

82. Through their knowing and intentional efforts to take unauthorized deductions from Plaintiff Pavia's wages, Defendants willfully violated NYLL, Article 6, §§ 190 *et seq.*, and supporting New York State regulations.

83. Plaintiff Pavia was damaged in an amount to be determined at trial.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff Pavia respectfully requests that this Court enter judgment against Defendants by:

(a) Designating this action as a collective action and authorizing prompt issuance of notice pursuant to 29 U.S.C. § 216(b) to all putative class members apprising them of the pendency of this action, and permitting them to promptly file consents to be Plaintiffs in the FLSA claims in this action;

(b) Declaring that Defendants violated the overtime wage provisions of, and associated rules and regulations under, the FLSA as to Plaintiff Pavia and the FLSA Class members;

(c) Declaring that Defendants violated the recordkeeping requirements of, and associated rules and regulations under, the FLSA with respect to Plaintiff Pavia's and the FLSA Class members' compensation, hours, wages, and any deductions or credits taken against wages;

(d) Declaring that Defendants' violations of the provisions of the FLSA were willful as to Plaintiff Pavia and the FLSA Class members;

(e) Awarding Plaintiff Pavia and the FLSA Class members damages for the amount of unpaid overtime compensation and damages for any improper deductions or credits taken against wages under the FLSA as applicable;

(f) Awarding Plaintiff Pavia and the FLSA Class members liquidated damages in an amount equal to 100% of his damages for the amount of unpaid overtime compensation, and damages for any improper deductions or credits taken against wages under the FLSA as applicable pursuant to 29 U.S.C. § 216(b);

(g) Declaring that Defendants violated the overtime wage provisions of, and rules and orders promulgated under, the NYLL as to Plaintiff Pavia;

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(h) Declaring that Defendants violated the notice and recordkeeping requirements of the NYLL with respect to Plaintiff Pavia's compensation, hours, wages and any deductions or credits taken against wages;

(i) Declaring that Defendants' violations of the provisions of the NYLL were willful as to Plaintiff Pavia;

(j) Awarding Plaintiff Pavia damages for the amount of unpaid overtime compensation, and for any improper deductions or credits taken against wages as applicable

(k) Awarding Plaintiff Pavia damages for Defendants' violation of the NYLL notice and recordkeeping provisions, pursuant to NYLL §§198(1-b), 198(1-d);

(1) Awarding Plaintiff Pavia liquidated damages in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the total amount of overtime compensation shown to be owed pursuant to NYLL § 663 as applicable; and liquidated damages pursuant to NYLL § 198(3);

(m) Awarding Plaintiff Pavia and the FLSA Class members pre-judgment and postjudgment interest as applicable;

(n) Awarding Plaintiff Pavia and the FLSA Class members the expenses incurred in this action, including costs and attorneys' fees;

(o) Providing that if any amounts remain unpaid upon the expiration of ninety days following issuance of judgment, or ninety days after expiration of the time to appeal and no appeal is then pending, whichever is later, the total amount of judgment shall automatically increase by fifteen percent, as required by NYLL § 198(4); and

(p) All such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

JURY DEMAND

Plaintiff Pavia demands a trial by jury on all issues triable by a jury.

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Dated: New York, New York

September 21, 2018

MICHAEL FAILLACE & ASSOCIATES, P.C.

By:

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September 10, 2018

BY HAND

TO: Clerk of Court,

I hereby consent to join this lawsuit as a party plaintiff. (Yo, por medio de este documento, doy mi consentimiento para formar parte de la demanda como uno de los demandantes.)

Name / Nombre:

Rufino Pavia Estudillo

Legal Representative / Abogado:

Signature / Firma:

Date / Fecha:

Michael Faillace-& Associates, P.C. u

10 de septiembre 2018

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The JS 44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replace nor supplement the filing and service of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. *(SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON NEXT PAGE OF THIS FORM.)*

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(c) Attorneys (Firm Name, A Michael A. Faillace. Mich 60 East 42nd Suite 4510 New York, NY 10165			Attorneys (If Known)		
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Local Arbitration Rule 83.10 provides that with certain exceptions, actions seeking money damages only in an amount not in excess of \$150,000, exclusive of interest and costs, are eligible for compulsory arbitration. The amount of damages is presumed to be below the threshold amount unless a certification to the contrary is filed.

I, <u>Michael Faillace</u>, counsel for <u>Plaintiff</u>, do hereby certify that the above captioned civil action is ineligible for compulsory arbitration for the following reason(s):

- monetary damages sought are in excess of \$150,000, exclusive of interest and costs,
- the complaint seeks injunctive relief,
- the matter is otherwise ineligible for the following reason

DISCLOSURE STATEMENT - FEDERAL RULES CIVIL PROCEDURE 7.1

Identify any parent corporation and any publicly held corporation that owns 10% or more or its stocks:

RELATED CASE STATEMENT (Section VIII on the Front of this Form)

Please list all cases that are arguably related pursuant to Division of Business Rule 50.3.1 in Section VIII on the front of this form. Rule 50.3.1 (a) provides that "A civil case is "related" to another civil case for purposes of this guideline when, because of the similarity of facts and legal issues or because the cases arise from the same transactions or events, a substantial saving of judicial resources is likely to result from assigning both cases to the same judge and magistrate judge." Rule 50.3.1 (b) provides that "A civil case shall not be deemed "related" to another civil case merely because the civil case: (A) involves identical legal issues, or (B) involves the same parties." Rule 50.3.1 (c) further provides that "Presumptively, and subject to the power of a judge to determine otherwise pursuant to paragraph (d), civil cases shall not be deemed to be "related" unless both cases are still pending before the court."

NY-E DIVISION OF BUSINESS RULE 50.1(d)(2)

- 1.) Is the civil action being filed in the Eastern District removed from a New York State Court located in Nassau or Suffolk County: №
- If you answered "no" above:
 a) Did the events or omissions giving rise to the claim or claims, or a substantial part thereof, occur in Nassau or Suffolk County?

b) Did the events or omissions giving rise to the claim or claims, or a substantial part thereof, occur in the Eastern District? Yes

If your answer to question 2 (b) is "No," does the defendant (or a majority of the defendants, if there is more than one) reside in Nassau or Suffolk County, or, in an interpleader action, does the claimant (or a majority of the claimants, if there is more than one) reside in Nassau or Suffolk County? NA

(Note: A corporation shall be considered a resident of the County in which it has the most significant contacts).

BAR ADMISSION

No

I am currently admitted in the Eastern District of New York and currently a member in good standing of the bar of this court.

Are you currently the subject of any disciplinary action (s) in this or any other state or federal court?

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	(If yes,	please	explain)		

I certify the accuracy of all information provided above.

Yes

Signature: /s/ Michael Faillace

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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RUFINO PAVIA ESTUDILLO, et al.

<i>Plaintiff(s)</i>	
V.	
STEADFAST CONSTRUCTION LLC (D/B/A STEADFAST CONSTRUCTION LLC), et al.	
Defendant(s)	

Civil Action No.

SUMMONS IN A CIVIL ACTION

To: (Defendant's name and address) STEADFAST CONSTRUCTION LLC (D/B/A STEADFAST CONSTRUCTION LLC) 39 Kansas Avenue, Apt A Staten Island, NY 10305

A lawsuit has been filed against you.

Within 21 days after service of this summons on you (not counting the day you received it) — or 60 days if you are the United States or a United States agency, or an officer or employee of the United States described in Fed. R. Civ. P. 12 (a)(2) or (3) — you must serve on the plaintiff an answer to the attached complaint or a motion under Rule 12 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The answer or motion must be served on the plaintiff or plaintiff's attorney, whose name and address are: Michael A. Faillace

MICHAEL FAILLACE & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 60 East 42nd Street, Suite 4510 New York, New York 10165

If you fail to respond, judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. You also must file your answer or motion with the court.

> DOUGLAS C. PALMER CLERK OF COURT

Date:

Signature of Clerk or Deputy Clerk

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			on (date)	; or	
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		, a person	n of suitable age and discretion who res	ides ther	e,
	on (date)	, and mailed a copy to	the individual's last known address; or		
	\Box I served the summa	Ons on (name of individual)			, who is
	designated by law to	accept service of process on beha			
			on (date)	; or	
	\Box I returned the summer	nons unexecuted because			; or
	Other (<i>specify</i>):				
	My fees are \$	for travel and \$	for services, for a total of \$	0.0)0
	I declare under penalt	y of perjury that this information	is true.		
Date:					
			Server's signature		
			Printed name and title		

Additional information regarding attempted service, etc:

Server's address

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RUFINO PAVIA ESTUDILLO, et al.

<i>Plaintiff(s)</i>	
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STEADFAST CONSTRUCTION LLC (D/B/A STEADFAST CONSTRUCTION LLC), et al.	
Defendant(s)	

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SUMMONS IN A CIVIL ACTION

To: (Defendant's name and address) FOSTER DEVELOPMENT LLC (D/B/A FOSTER DEVELOPMENT LLC) 39 Kansas Avenue, Apt A Staten Island, NY 10305

A lawsuit has been filed against you.

Within 21 days after service of this summons on you (not counting the day you received it) — or 60 days if you are the United States or a United States agency, or an officer or employee of the United States described in Fed. R. Civ. P. 12 (a)(2) or (3) — you must serve on the plaintiff an answer to the attached complaint or a motion under Rule 12 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The answer or motion must be served on the plaintiff or plaintiff's attorney, whose name and address are: Michael A. Faillace

MICHAEL FAILLACE & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 60 East 42nd Street, Suite 4510 New York, New York 10165

If you fail to respond, judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. You also must file your answer or motion with the court.

> DOUGLAS C. PALMER CLERK OF COURT

Date:

Signature of Clerk or Deputy Clerk

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	on (date)	, and mailed a copy to th	e individual's last known address; or	
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Date:				
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Defendant(s)

Civil Action No.

SUMMONS IN A CIVIL ACTION

To: (Defendant's name and address) MORI WOLKOFF 39 Kansas Avenue, Apt A Staten Island, NY 10305

A lawsuit has been filed against you.

Within 21 days after service of this summons on you (not counting the day you received it) — or 60 days if you are the United States or a United States agency, or an officer or employee of the United States described in Fed. R. Civ. P. 12 (a)(2) or (3) — you must serve on the plaintiff an answer to the attached complaint or a motion under Rule 12 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The answer or motion must be served on the plaintiff or plaintiff's attorney, whose name and address are: Michael A. Faillace

MICHAEL FAILLACE & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 60 East 42nd Street, Suite 4510 New York, New York 10165

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> DOUGLAS C. PALMER CLERK OF COURT

Date:

Signature of Clerk or Deputy Clerk

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	This summons for (nam	e of individual and title, if any)			
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			on (date)	; or	
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		, a perso	n of suitable age and discretion who res	sides there	<i>,</i>
	on (date)	, and mailed a copy to	the individual's last known address; or		
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	designated by law to a	ccept service of process on beh	alf of (name of organization)		
			on (date)	; or	
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V.
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Defendant(s)

SUMMONS IN A CIVIL ACTION

To: (Defendant's name and address) GREGORY WOLKOFF 39 Kansas Avenue, Apt A Staten Island, NY 10305

A lawsuit has been filed against you.

Within 21 days after service of this summons on you (not counting the day you received it) — or 60 days if you are the United States or a United States agency, or an officer or employee of the United States described in Fed. R. Civ. P. 12 (a)(2) or (3) — you must serve on the plaintiff an answer to the attached complaint or a motion under Rule 12 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The answer or motion must be served on the plaintiff or plaintiff's attorney, whose name and address are: Michael A. Faillace

MICHAEL FAILLACE & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 60 East 42nd Street, Suite 4510 New York, New York 10165

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> DOUGLAS C. PALMER CLERK OF COURT

Date:

Signature of Clerk or Deputy Clerk

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V.	
STEADFAST CONSTRUCTION LLC (D/B/A STEADFAST CONSTRUCTION LLC), et al.	
Defendant(s)	

SUMMONS IN A CIVIL ACTION

To: (Defendant's name and address) PAUL LOFFRENO 39 Kansas Avenue, Apt A Staten Island, NY 10305

A lawsuit has been filed against you.

Within 21 days after service of this summons on you (not counting the day you received it) — or 60 days if you are the United States or a United States agency, or an officer or employee of the United States described in Fed. R. Civ. P. 12 (a)(2) or (3) — you must serve on the plaintiff an answer to the attached complaint or a motion under Rule 12 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The answer or motion must be served on the plaintiff or plaintiff's attorney, whose name and address are: Michael A. Faillace

MICHAEL FAILLACE & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 60 East 42nd Street, Suite 4510 New York, New York 10165

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> DOUGLAS C. PALMER CLERK OF COURT

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