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EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

ANTHONY HERNANDEZ, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

vs.

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PJ LAS VEGAS, LLC; SERAZEN, LLC; BLD BRANDS, LLC; BLD VENTURES, LLC; DOUG PAK; and DOES 1 through 50, inclusive,

Defendants.

Case No.: A-17-762477-C

Dept. No.: Department 17

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL OF CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT

On January 9, 2019, this Court considered the Joint Motion for Final Approval of Class

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

Action Settlement. Counsel for the Parties appeared at the hearing. Having fully considered the motion, comments of counsel, and all supporting legal authorities, the Court orders as follows:

- 1. The Court adopts the defined terms in the Settlement Agreement.
- 2. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this litigation and personal jurisdiction over the named-plaintiff, all settlement class members, and defendants.
- 3. The Court confirms as final the following settlement class pursuant to Nev. R. Civ. P. 23(b)(2): "All hourly paid non-exempt persons employed by PJ Las Vegas, LLC in the state of Nevada who earned less than 1 ½ times the applicable minimum wage and who worked over eight (8) hours in a workday for the time period commencing on January 3, 2014, up to and including the date the Court grants preliminary approval of this Settlement."
- 4. The Court confirms the appointment of Anthony Hernandez as the Class Representative and the enhancement payment of \$10,000 to Plaintiff, as set forth in the Settlement Agreement.
- 5. The Court confirms the appointment of Thierman Buck LLP and Gabroy Law Offices as class counsel for the settlement class and approves their requests for attorneys' fees and litigation costs of \$200,000 and \$11,000 respectively.
- 6. The class notice was distributed to class members, pursuant to this Court's orders, and fully satisfied the requirements of Nev. R. Civ. P. 23 and any other applicable law.
- 7. Pursuant to Nev. R. Civ. P. 23(e), the Court grants final approval to this settlement and finds that the settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate in all respects, including the attorneys' fees, costs, and incentive award provisions. The Court specifically finds that the settlement confers a substantial benefit to settlement class members, considering the strength of plaintiff's claims and the risk, expense, complexity, and duration of further litigation. The response of the class supports settlement approval. No class members objected to the settlement and only seven (7) requested exclusion from the settlement. The Court further finds that the settlement is the result of arms-length negotiations between experienced counsel representing the

interests of both sides, which supports approval of the settlement in accordance with the standards set forth in the joint motion for final approval of settlement.

- 8. The Court finds that as of the date of this Order each and every class member has waived and released claims as set forth in the Second Amended Complaint, the Settlement Agreement, and the Notice of Class Action Settlement.
- 9. The Court finds that the settlement administrator Simpluris is entitled to \$25,000 for administrative fees.
- 10. The Court directs the parties to effectuate the settlement terms as set forth in the Settlement Agreement and the settlement administrator to calculate and pay the claims of the class members in accordance with the terms set forth in the Settlement Agreement.
- 11. Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, the Settlement Amount is reversionary, meaning that any unclaimed amounts will be returned to Defendants, PJ Las Vegas, LLC, Serazen, LLC, BLD Brands, LLC, VBLD Ventures, LLC and Doug Pak. Also, uncashed payments shall revert to Defendants and be paid by the Claims Administrator within thirty (30) days after the end of the 90-day negotiability period.
- 11. The Court retains jurisdiction to enforce the terms of the settlement, including the payment of the settlement fund.
- 12. The Court also dismisses Defendant Papa John's International pursuant to filing of the Second Amended Complaint and the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

IT IS SO ORDERED, this 10 day of January, 2019.

Submitted by:

Mark R. Thierman Joshua D. Buck Counsel for Plaintiffs

Judge, Clark County District Court