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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

ERIC ZATT, individually and on behalf
of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

AT&T CORPORATION and AT&T
MOBILITY, LLC,

Defendant.

Case No. '16CV1323 BEN RBB

CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT

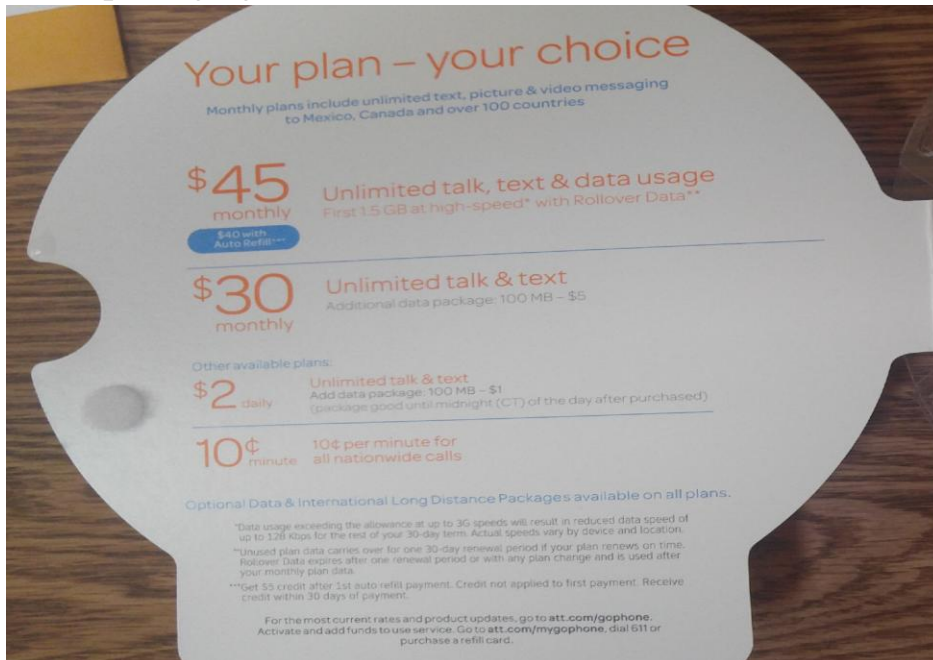
JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

1 **I. INTRODUCTION**

2 1. Plaintiff Eric Zatt (“Plaintiff”), individually and on behalf of all others
3 similarly situated, files this class action against AT&T Incorporated and AT&T
4 Mobility, LLC (collectively “AT&T,” the “Company,” or “Defendant”). Plaintiff
5 states and alleges as follows upon information and belief, except as to those
6 allegations pertaining to Plaintiff personally, which are alleged upon personal
7 knowledge. Plaintiff invokes this Court’s jurisdiction pursuant to the Class Action
8 Fairness Act, 28 U.S.C. § 1332(d).

9 2. AT&T markets various GoPhone compatible cellular telephones at
10 prices ranging from less than \$20 each to more than \$100. These cellular telephones
11 are marketed and sold through numerous retailers, including Walmart, Walgreens,
12 Best Buy, Target, Staples, 7-11, Rite Aid, and others.

13 3. After purchasing a GoPhone, users are instructed to activate their phones
14 through AT&T and to choose one of the service plans offered by AT&T. As
15 indicated in the image below, several prepaid cellular plans are featured prominently
16 on the packaging for AT&T GoPhones.



1 4. Specifically, under the heading “Your plan – your choice,” the
2 packaging for the cellular phone purchased by Plaintiff Zatt features a \$0.10 per
3 minute plan for calls within the United States. Despite this representation, and as set
4 forth in more detail below, AT&T offers no such plan, instead only allowing
5 GoPhone purchasers to choose other, substantially more expensive calling plans. This
6 tactic or practice constitutes a classic “bait and switch.” Plaintiff and members of the
7 Class have been victimized by this practice in which AT&T advertises calling plans
8 on the packaging for its GoPhones that it has no intention of actually providing to
9 consumers. After purchasing a device, and discovering that AT&T does not offer the
10 plan that they sought to use, consumers are then forced to either purchase an
11 alternative (and more expensive) plan, or they are left with an otherwise useless
12 cellular phone.

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14 **II. PARTIES**

15 5. Plaintiff Eric Zatt is a resident of Encinitas, San Diego County,
16 California. On May 6, 2016, Plaintiff Zatt purchased an AT&T Z432 cellular phone
17 for \$29.99 and a \$10 “refill and go” card for use with the phone at Rite Aid. Shortly
18 thereafter, when Mr. Zatt attempted to activate the phone, he discovered that the
19 \$0.10 per minute plan advertised by AT&T on the packaging for the phone purchased
20 by Mr. Zatt was false and not available. Mr. Zatt had become the victim of AT&T's
21 bait and switch tactics.

22 6. AT&T Mobility, LLC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of AT&T, Inc.
23 AT&T Mobility, LLC provides wireless voice and data service throughout the United
24 States, including the State of California. AT&T Mobility, LLC is incorporated in
25 Delaware and maintains its headquarters at 1025 Lenox Park Blvd., NE, Atlanta,
26 Georgia 30319.

1 7. AT&T Corporation is incorporated in New York, New York and
2 headquartered at One AT&T Way, Bedminster, New Jersey, 07921. AT&T
3 Corporation is the parent company of AT&T Mobility, LLC. AT&T provides
4 telecommunications services throughout the United States, including within the State
5 of California.

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7 **III. JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

8 8. This Court has original jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1332(d)(2).
9 The matter in controversy, exclusive of interest and costs, exceeds the sum or value
10 of \$5,000,000 and is a class action in which at least one Class Member is a citizen of
11 a state different from the citizenship of Defendant.

12 9. Venue is proper in this District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1391 in that
13 Plaintiff resides in this district and because many of the acts and transactions giving
14 rise to this action occurred in this District.

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16 **IV. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

17 10. Prepaid plans are popular with a wide variety of users because they are
18 often low cost, can be purchased at a wide variety of consumer outlets and, unlike
19 other cellular telephone plans, do not require a credit check or a commitment to
20 continuing service. AT&T is one of the largest providers of prepaid cellular
21 telephone and data services in the United States. For example, in the first quarter of
22 2016, AT&T added approximately 500,000 new prepaid customers through its
23 GoPhone and Cricket prepaid services. In total, AT&T has approximately eleven
24 million prepaid customers.

25 11. AT&T sells its GoPhone prepaid phones through a variety of consumer
26 outlets, including Walmart, Walgreens, Best Buy, Target, Staples, 7-11, Rite Aid, and
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1 others. Purchasers of an AT&T GoPhone can, along with their cellular phones,
2 purchase cards that they can use to immediately activate and “load” their phones.
3 Once “loaded” with credit, the phone can be used until the prepaid credit has been
4 exhausted.

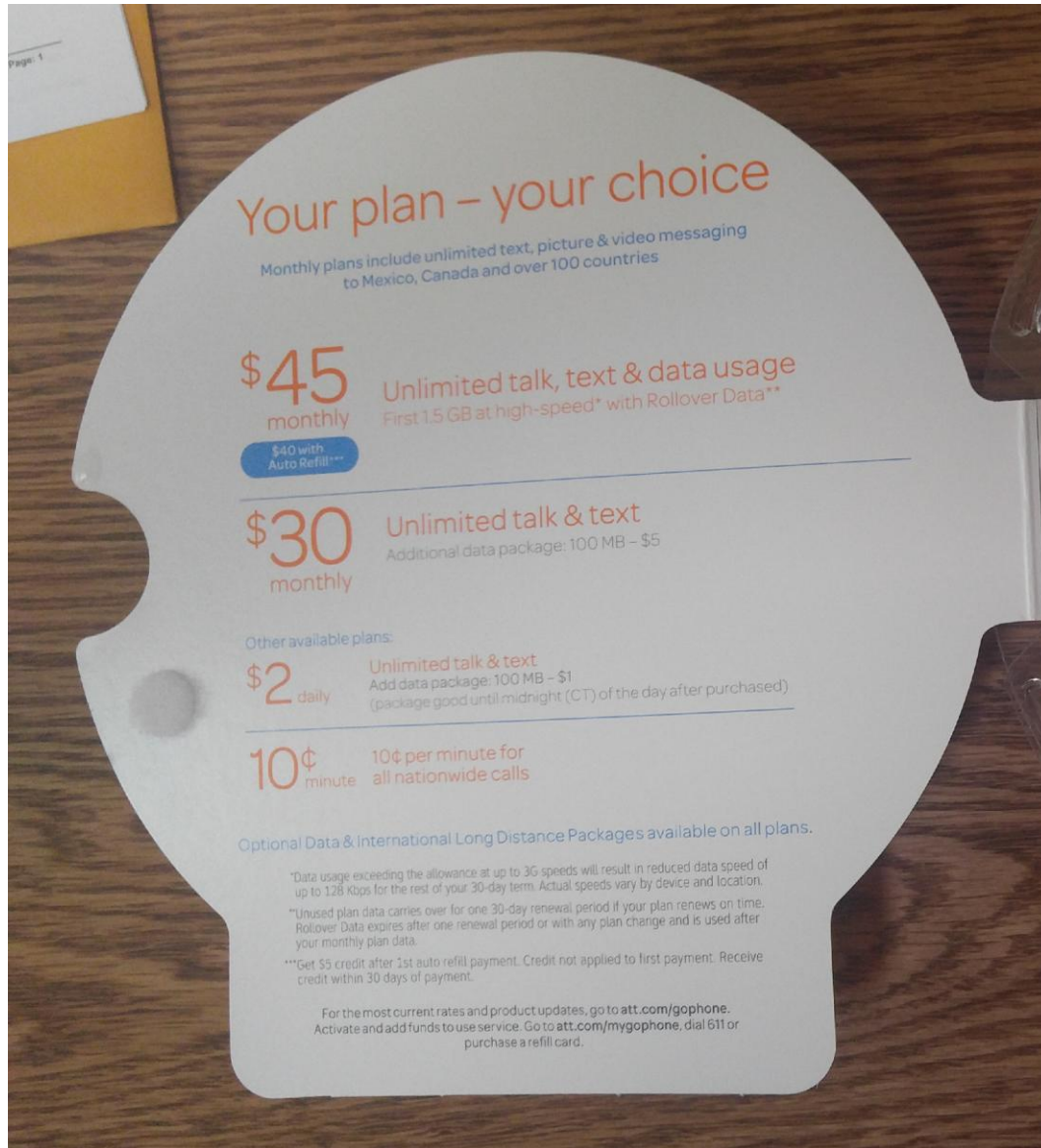
5 12. Because GoPhones compete with offerings from other carriers, and
6 because GoPhones are often sold in locations without AT&T staff or independent
7 promotion, the packaging for AT&T GoPhones serves as a significant point of
8 advertising, highlighting not only the features of the cellular phone being sold, but
9 the various data plans that AT&T offers for GoPhone users. For example, the
10 packaging for the cellular phone purchased by Plaintiff Zatt provides details
11 regarding the cellular phone on its face, as indicated in the image below.



1 13. By opening a flap on the front cover of the packaging, customers can
2 review plans offered by AT&T and compare them against those offered by
3 competitors, whose prepaid phones are often sold at the same locations. As indicated
4 in the image below, AT&T's packaging is a primary means of identifying the calling
5 plans, as well as the costs and features of those plans.



18 14. Featured prominently on the packaging for AT&T GoPhone device
19 purchased by Plaintiff Zatt, under the caption "Your plan - your choice" is an offer
20 for nationwide calling for a flat rate of \$0.10 per minute, or "10 cents per minute for
21 all nationwide calls."



15. Based on the representation that he could purchase cellular service for a flat fee of \$0.10 per minute, Plaintiff purchased an AT&T GoPhone. However, thereafter, when attempting to activate the phone and chose the \$0.10 per minute calling plan, Mr. Zatt was informed that this rate was false, as AT&T did not offer any such plan and was instead offering a \$0.25 per minute calling plan. In fact, as indicated below, AT&T's website advertises several different cellular plans for

1 prepaid customers, but includes no reference to a plan allowing users to purchase
 2 phone calls at a flat rate of \$0.10 per minute.

3 Prepaid plans—no annual contract

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	\$60 Monthly	\$45 Monthly	\$30 Monthly
5 Save \$5 Monthly with Auto Refill ¹	\$55/mo.	\$40/mo.	✗
6 High-Speed Data Access ² Up to 4G LTE with compatible devices	5GB	2GB	\$5 per 100MB
7 Unlimited Talk & Text in the U.S.	✓	✓	✓
8 Unlimited Messaging to Mexico, Canada, and <u>over 100 countries</u>	✓	✓	✓
9 Rollover Data ^{SM3}	✓	✓	✗
10 Unlimited Talk & Text from the U.S. to Mexico and Canada ⁴	✓	✗	✗
11 Includes Talk, Text & Data usage in Mexico and Canada ⁴	✓	✗	✗

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15 Chat available

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17 Other plans available:

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	\$2 a Day	25¢ a Minute
19 Talk	Unlimited nationwide	25¢/min.
20 Text	Unlimited nationwide	20¢/msg. or buy a package
21 Data	1¢/5KB or buy a package	1¢/5KB

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1 16. Instead of providing a flat rate \$0.10 per minute plan for prepaid
2 customers, AT&T's least expensive offering is a \$0.25 per minute plan.

3 17. Had Plaintiff known that AT&T did not intend, and would in fact refuse,
4 to provide services at the price advertised on the packaging for his GoPhone cellular
5 device, he would not have purchased it. Plaintiff is a citizen of the state of California
6 and is a consumer as defined in California Civil Code § 1761 because he purchase the
7 GoPhone for personal, family or household purposes.

8 18. As a result of AT&T's bait and switch, Plaintiff is left with a choice of
9 either 1) agreeing to a cellular phone plan that is substantially more expensive than
10 the plan advertised to him or; 2) choosing not to use the phone that he purchased,
11 thus losing the value of the purchase price of the phone.

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13 **V. CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS**

14 19. Plaintiff brings this action and seeks to certify and maintain it as a class
15 action pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(a) and (b)(3) on behalf of the
16 following Class and California Subclass:

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18 **The Nationwide Class (The "Class")**

19 All purchasers of AT&T GoPhones who were subjected to Defendant's false
20 and misleading written point of sale marketing and advertising regarding
21 available rate plans at \$0.10 per minute. Excluded from the Class are AT&T
22 Incorporated, AT&T Mobility, LLC, and their respective officers, directors,
23 and employees.

24 **The California Subclass**

25 All California resident purchasers of AT&T GoPhones who were subjected to
26 false and misleading advertising by Defendant regarding available rate plans.
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1 Excluded from the Class are AT&T Corporation, AT&T Mobility, LLC, and
2 their respective officers, directors, and employees.

3 20. ***Numerosity - Rule 23(a)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure:***

4 The members of the Class are so numerous that their individual joinder is
5 impracticable. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and on that basis alleges, that the
6 proposed Class contains hundreds of thousands of members. The precise number of
7 Class members is unknown to Plaintiff. As AT&T manages and oversees its sales of
8 GoPhone cellular devices and the advertising of the GoPhone program, the true
9 number of Class Members is known by Defendant. Thus, Defendant may notify all
10 putative Class members of the pendency of this action by first class mail, electronic
11 mail, and/or by published notice. AT&T also has the account information of all
12 persons who have purchased an AT&T GoPhone cellular telephone.

13 21. ***Existence of Common Questions of Law and Fact – Rule 23(a)(2) of***
14 ***the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure:*** Common questions of law and fact exist as to
15 all Class Members. These common legal and factual questions include, but are not
16 limited to, the following:

- 17 a. whether AT&T's advertising of cellular telephone plans that it refused
18 to provide to customers violates the provisions of California statutory
19 law as alleged in this Complaint;
- 20 b. whether AT&T has been unjustly enriched by the misconduct alleged
21 in this Complaint;
- 22 c. whether Plaintiff and members of the Class are entitled to declaratory
23 and/or injunctive relief based on the misconduct alleged in this
24 Complaint; and
- 25 d. whether Plaintiff and members of the Class sustained monetary loss
26 and are entitled to an award of monetary damages.
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1 22. ***Typicality – Rule 23(a)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure:***

2 Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the members of the Class in that (1)
3 Plaintiff and absent Class Members have been harmed by the false and misleading
4 advertisements displayed on the packaging of AT&T GoPhones; (2) Plaintiff and
5 absent Class Members were led to believe that, by purchasing an AT&T GoPhone,
6 they would be able to chose from the various plans offered and advertised by AT&T
7 when, in fact, AT&T did not offer all of the plans advertised on the packaging for its
8 GoPhone cellular phones; and (3) Defendant is unjustly enriched as a result of
9 Plaintiff's and the Class' respective purchases of AT&T GoPhones.

10 23. ***Adequacy of Representation – Rule 23(a)(4) of the Federal Rules of***
11 ***Civil Procedure:*** Plaintiff will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the
12 members of the Class. Plaintiff has retained counsel experienced in complex
13 consumer class action litigation, and Plaintiff intends to prosecute this action
14 vigorously. Plaintiff has no interests that are adverse or antagonistic to those of the
15 Class.

16 24. The Class may be certified pursuant to ***Rule 23(b)(1) of the Federal***
17 ***Rules of Civil Procedure*** because:

- 18 a. prosecution of separate actions by individual Class Members would
19 create a risk of inconsistent or varying adjudication with respect to
20 individual Class Members that would establish incompatible standards
21 of conduct for the Defendant; and
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- 23 b. the prosecution of separate actions by individual Class Members would
24 create a risk of adjudications with respect to them that would, as a
25 practical matter, be dispositive of the interests of other Class Members
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1 not parties to the adjudications, or substantially impair or impede their
2 ability to protect their interests.

3 25. The Class and each of the Sub-Classes may also be certified pursuant to
4 **Rule 23(b)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure** because Defendant has acted
5 or refused to act on grounds generally applicable to the Class, thereby making
6 appropriate final declaratory and/or injunctive relief with respect to the members of
7 the Class as a whole.

8 26. Certification pursuant to Rule 23(b)(2) is appropriate because unless
9 such a Class is certified, Defendant will retain monies taken from Plaintiff and Class
10 Members and received as a result of the offending conduct alleged herein. Unless a
11 Class-wide injunction is issued, Defendant will continue to commit the violations
12 alleged herein, and the members of the Class and the general public will continue to
13 be misled and/or damaged.

14 27. Class certification pursuant to **Rule 23(b)(3) of the Federal Rules of**
15 **Civil Procedure** is also warranted because a class action is superior to all other
16 available means for the fair and efficient adjudication of this controversy. The
17 common questions of fact and law identified above predominate over any issues
18 relating to individual members of the Class. Moreover, the damages or other financial
19 detriment suffered by individual Class Members is relatively small compared to the
20 burden and expense that would be entailed by individual litigation of their claims
21 against the Defendant. It would thus be virtually impossible for the members of the
22 Class, on an individual basis, to obtain effective redress by way of damages for the
23 wrongs done to them. Furthermore, even if Class Members could afford such
24 individualized litigation, the court system could not. Individualized litigation would
25 create the danger of inconsistent or contradictory judgments arising from the same set
26 of facts. Individualized litigation would also increase the delay and expense to all
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1 parties and the court system from the issues raised by this action. By contrast, the
2 class action device provides the benefits of adjudication of these issues in a single
3 proceeding, economies of scale, and comprehensive supervision by a single court,
4 and presents no unusual management difficulties under the circumstances here.

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6 **CAUSES OF ACTION**

7 **COUNT I**

8 **Fraud**

9 28. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges the allegations contained above as if fully
10 set forth herein.

11 29. This count is brought on behalf of the Class.

12 30. In issuing, advertising and selling AT&T GoPhone cellular devices,
13 Defendant misrepresented material facts, including the available rates for cellular
14 telephone calls. Specifically, Defendant false represented that users could pay “10
15 cents per minute for all nationwide calls.”

16 31. Defendant knew that this representation was false.

17 32. The aforementioned concealment was material because, had it been
18 disclosed, Plaintiff and the other members of the Class would not have bought AT&T
19 GoPhone cellular devices, or would not have bought those cellular devices at the
20 prices they paid

21 33. The aforementioned representations were material because they were
22 facts that would typically be relied on by a person purchasing a prepaid cellular
23 device.

24 34. Defendant’s misrepresentations were made with the intent to induce
25 reliance by Plaintiff and members of the Class.
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1 46. Defendant has received, and will continue to receive, a benefit and
2 unjust enrichment at the expense of Plaintiff and the members of the Class.

3 47. Defendant knowingly and/or recklessly labels and distributes for sale
4 GoPhone cellular phones, the packaging of which contains false and misleading
5 advertisements. Having relied on these false advertisements in purchasing GoPhone
6 cellular devices, consumers are then left to purchase cellular services from AT&T
7 that they would not purchase but for but for Defendant's unfair practices.
8 Alternatively, consumers can choose not to use the GoPhone cellular device that they
9 purchased in reliance on AT&T false and misleading advertisements.

10 48. Defendant is required to make restitution and disgorge the amount of
11 each phone purchase price received as a consequence of the bait and switch practice
12 and false and deceptive point of sale advertising.

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14 **COUNT IV**
15 **False and Misleading Advertising in Violation of California Business**
16 **& Professions Code §17500, *et seq.***
17 **(On Behalf of the California Class)**

18 49. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges the allegations set forth above as if set
19 forth fully herein.

20 50. This count is brought on behalf of the California Class.

21 51. Throughout the period during which they have sold and offered for sale
22 AT&T GoPhones, Defendant engaged in unlawful and/or fraudulent conduct under
23 California Business & Professions Code §§ 17500, *et seq.*, by engaging in the sale of
24 AT&T GoPhones based on publically disseminated advertisements, and terms and
25 conditions that Defendant knew or reasonably should have known were unfair,
26 deceptive, untrue and/or misleading. Defendant committed such violations of the
27 False Advertising Law with actual knowledge or knowledge fairly implied on the
28 basis of objective circumstances.

1 52. Defendant's advertisements, representations, and labeling as described
2 herein were designed to, and did, result in the purchase and use of the AT&T
3 GoPhones and related products, items and services and Defendant profited from the
4 sales of these products to unwary consumers.

5 53. As a direct result of Defendant's violations, Plaintiff and the Class
6 Members suffered injury in fact and lost money.

7 54. Accordingly, Plaintiff, on behalf of himself and all other Class
8 Members, seek restitution and injunctive relief against Defendant in the form of an
9 order prohibiting Defendant from engaging in the alleged misconduct described
10 herein, and other relief as specifically prayed for herein.

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12 **COUNT V**
13 **Violation of the California Unfair Competition Law,**
14 **Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17200, *et seq.***
(On Behalf of the California Class)

15 55. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges the allegations set forth above as if set
16 forth fully herein.

17 56. This Count is brought on behalf of the California Class.

18 57. The UCL prohibits any “unlawful,” “fraudulent,” or “unfair” business
19 act or practice and any false or misleading advertising. Defendant violated (and
20 continues to violate) the UCL through its business acts and practices as set forth
21 herein, and specifically by distributing GoPhone cellular phones that falsely advertise
22 cellular plans that AT&T does not offer. These business acts and practices were
23 centered in, emanated from and were carried out, effectuated and perfected in the
24 United States and from within the State of California.

25 58. Plaintiff and all members of the Class were harmed by AT&T's
26 aforementioned unlawful, unfair and fraudulent business acts and practices occurring
27 in the State of California. As alleged herein, Plaintiff and members of the Class have
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1 been victimized by, and have suffered injury in fact and lost money or property as a
2 result of, AT&T's conduct associated with their distribution, marketing and sale of
3 GoPhone devices that include false advertising.

4 59. AT&T's actions and practices, as alleged in this Complaint, were unfair,
5 deceptive, misleading and likely to deceive the consuming public within the meaning
6 of the UCL.

7 60. As set forth herein, AT&T's wrongful actions resulted in harm to
8 consumers that is ongoing. AT&T's acts constitute violations of the unfair prong of
9 Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17200 *et seq.*

10 61. There were reasonably available alternatives to further AT&T's
11 legitimate business interests, other than the conduct described herein. As a result of
12 its deception, Defendant has been able to reap unjust revenue and profit.

13 62. Unless restrained and enjoined, Defendant will continue to engage in the
14 above-described conduct. Accordingly, injunctive relief is appropriate.

15 63. Plaintiff, on behalf of himself and all other Class members, seeks
16 restitution and disgorgement of all money obtained from Plaintiff and the members of
17 the Class collected as a result of AT&T's misconduct and injunctive relief in the form
18 of an order prohibiting Defendant from continuing such practices and requiring
19 Defendant to engage in and undertake corrective measures, and all such other and
20 further relief this Court deems appropriate, consistent with Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code §
21 17203.

22 64. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's unlawful acts and
23 conduct, Plaintiff and Class Members are deprived of the use of their money that is
24 unlawfully charged and collected by Defendant, and are therefore entitled to
25 reimbursement and disgorgement of any money unjustly received by Defendant in
26 connection with the sale of GoPhone cellular devices.

COUNT VI
Violation of the Consumers Legal Remedies Act,
California Civil Code §1750, *et seq.*
(On Behalf of the California Class)

65. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges the allegations set forth above as if fully set forth herein.

66. This Court is brought on behalf of the California Class.

67. Defendant is a "person" within the meaning of California Civil Code §§ 1761(c) and 1770, and provides "goods" within the meaning of Civil Code §§ 1761(a) and 1770.

68. Purchasers of AT&T GoPhones, including Plaintiff and Class Members, are "consumers" within the meaning of Civil Code §§ 1761(d) and 1770. Each purchase of Defendant's GoPhone cellular telephone by Plaintiff and each Class Member as alleged herein constitutes a "transaction" within the meaning of Civil Code §§ 1761(e) and 1770. Each Class Member purchased goods from Defendant that was primarily for personal, family, or household purposes.

69. The Consumer Legal Remedies Act makes it unlawful for a company to:

- a. Misrepresent the certification of goods. Cal. Civ. Code § 1770(a)(2)(3);
- b. Represent that goods have characteristics or approval that they do not have. Cal. Civ. Code § 1770(a)(5);
- c. Represent that goods are of a particular standard, quality, or grade, if they are of another. Cal. Civ. Code § 1770(a)(7);
- d. Advertise goods with intent not to sell them as advertised. Cal. Civ. Code § 1770(a)(9); and
- e. Represent that the subject of a transaction has been supplied in accordance with a previous representation when it has not. Cal. Civ. Code § 1770(a)(16).

1 70. AT&T violated, and continues to violate, the CLRA by representing,
2 through the advertising included on the packaging for GoPhone cellular telephones, a
3 calling plan that allows users to purchase call time at a rate of \$0.10 per minute. In
4 fact, AT&T offers no such rate, instead informing GoPhone purchasers, upon their
5 attempt to activate their previously purchased GoPhones, that the least expensive per
6 minute rate available is \$0.25 per minute. AT&T knew, or should have known, that
7 the representations and advertisements included in the packaging for its GoPhone
8 cellular telephones was false and misleading.

9 71. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's violations, Plaintiff and
10 Class Members have suffered and are continuing to suffer harm.

11 72. Defendant's wrongful business practices constituted, and constitute, a
12 continuing course of conduct in violation of the CLRA because Defendant is
13 continuing to engage in the practices complained of herein and which have injured
14 Plaintiffs and Class Members.

15 73. Pursuant to California Civil Code §1782(d), Plaintiff, on behalf of
16 himself and other Class Members, seeks a court order enjoining the above-described
17 wrongful acts and practices of Defendant.

18 74. No relief of any kind other than injunctive relief is currently sought
19 pursuant to this CLRA cause of action.

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21 **COUNT VII**
22 **Injunctive Relief**

23 75. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges the allegations set forth above as if set
24 forth fully herein.

25 76. Defendant has, and continues to, market and sell AT&T GoPhones with
26 packaging that is false and misleading. Plaintiff has been harmed as a result of
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1 Defendant's false advertising and members of the Class continue to be harmed by
2 Defendant's acts.

3 77. Plaintiff, on his own behalf and on behalf of all others similarly situated,
4 seeks an order of the Court enjoining Defendant and requiring that Defendant
5 immediately: (1) cease the sale of all GoPhone with false and misleading packaging
6 or labeling; (2) offer all consumers who have purchased GoPhones in packaging that
7 advertises \$0.10 per minute rates a full refund, with interest, of all costs associated
8 with the purchase or use of their GoPhones; and (3) provide all users of AT&T
9 GoPhones with the opportunity to purchase the \$0.10 per minute plans as advertised.

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11 **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

12 Wherefore Plaintiff demands judgment against Defendant as follows:

13 1. Determining that the instant action may be maintained as a class action
14 under Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and certifying Plaintiff as the
15 representative of the Class;

16 2. An award to Plaintiff and the Class of compensatory, direct,
17 consequential, statutory and incidental damages;

18 3. Injunctive relief as set forth above;

19 4. An award of attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses, as provided by law, or
20 equity or as otherwise available; and

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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.)

I. (a) PLAINTIFFS

ERIC ZATT, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff San Diego County
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Attorneys (If Known)

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II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

- 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff
- 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)
- 2 U.S. Government Defendant
- ~~4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)~~

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for Defendant)

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Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	Foreign Nation	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 6

IV. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

CONTRACT	TORTS	FORFEITURE/PENALTY	BANKRUPTCY	OTHER STATUTES	
<input type="checkbox"/> 110 Insurance <input type="checkbox"/> 120 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 130 Miller Act <input type="checkbox"/> 140 Negotiable Instrument <input type="checkbox"/> 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment <input type="checkbox"/> 151 Medicare Act <input type="checkbox"/> 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excludes Veterans) <input type="checkbox"/> 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits <input type="checkbox"/> 160 Stockholders' Suits <input type="checkbox"/> 190 Other Contract <input type="checkbox"/> 195 Contract Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 196 Franchise	PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 310 Airplane <input type="checkbox"/> 315 Airplane Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 320 Assault, Libel & Slander <input type="checkbox"/> 330 Federal Employers' Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 340 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 345 Marine Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 350 Motor Vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 360 Other Personal Injury <input type="checkbox"/> 362 Personal Injury - Medical Malpractice	PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 365 Personal Injury - Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 367 Health Care/Pharmaceutical Personal Injury Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability PERSONAL PROPERTY <input type="checkbox"/> 370 Other Fraud <input type="checkbox"/> 371 Truth in Lending <input type="checkbox"/> 380 Other Personal Property Damage <input type="checkbox"/> 385 Property Damage Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881 <input type="checkbox"/> 690 Other LABOR <input type="checkbox"/> 710 Fair Labor Standards Act <input type="checkbox"/> 720 Labor/Management Relations <input type="checkbox"/> 740 Railway Labor Act <input type="checkbox"/> 751 Family and Medical Leave Act <input type="checkbox"/> 790 Other Labor Litigation <input type="checkbox"/> 791 Employee Retirement Income Security Act IMMIGRATION <input type="checkbox"/> 462 Naturalization Application <input type="checkbox"/> 465 Other Immigration Actions	<input type="checkbox"/> 422 Appeal 28 USC 158 <input type="checkbox"/> 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157 PROPERTY RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 820 Copyrights <input type="checkbox"/> 830 Patent <input type="checkbox"/> 840 Trademark SOCIAL SECURITY <input type="checkbox"/> 861 HIA (1395ff) <input type="checkbox"/> 862 Black Lung (923) <input type="checkbox"/> 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) <input type="checkbox"/> 864 SSID Title XVI <input type="checkbox"/> 865 RSI (405(g)) FEDERAL TAX SUITS <input type="checkbox"/> 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant) <input type="checkbox"/> 871 IRS—Third Party 26 USC 7609	<input type="checkbox"/> 375 False Claims Act <input type="checkbox"/> 400 State Reapportionment <input type="checkbox"/> 410 Antitrust <input type="checkbox"/> 430 Banks and Banking <input type="checkbox"/> 450 Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> 460 Deportation <input type="checkbox"/> 470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations <input type="checkbox"/> 480 Consumer Credit <input type="checkbox"/> 490 Cable/Sat TV <input type="checkbox"/> 850 Securities/Commodities/Exchange <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 890 Other Statutory Actions <input type="checkbox"/> 891 Agricultural Acts <input type="checkbox"/> 893 Environmental Matters <input type="checkbox"/> 895 Freedom of Information Act <input type="checkbox"/> 896 Arbitration <input type="checkbox"/> 899 Administrative Procedure Act/Review or Appeal of Agency Decision <input type="checkbox"/> 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes
REAL PROPERTY	CIVIL RIGHTS	PRISONER PETITIONS			
<input type="checkbox"/> 210 Land Condemnation <input type="checkbox"/> 220 Foreclosure <input type="checkbox"/> 230 Rent Lease & Ejectment <input type="checkbox"/> 240 Torts to Land <input type="checkbox"/> 245 Tort Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 290 All Other Real Property	<input type="checkbox"/> 440 Other Civil Rights <input type="checkbox"/> 441 Voting <input type="checkbox"/> 442 Employment <input type="checkbox"/> 443 Housing/Accommodations <input type="checkbox"/> 445 Amer. w/Disabilities - Employment <input type="checkbox"/> 446 Amer. w/Disabilities - Other <input type="checkbox"/> 448 Education	Habeas Corpus: <input type="checkbox"/> 463 Alien Detainee <input type="checkbox"/> 510 Motions to Vacate Sentence <input type="checkbox"/> 530 General <input type="checkbox"/> 535 Death Penalty Other: <input type="checkbox"/> 540 Mandamus & Other <input type="checkbox"/> 550 Civil Rights <input type="checkbox"/> 555 Prison Condition <input type="checkbox"/> 560 Civil Detainee - Conditions of Confinement			

V. ORIGIN (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

- 1 Original Proceeding
- 2 Removed from State Court
- 3 Remanded from Appellate Court
- 4 Reinstated or Reopened
- 5 Transferred from Another District (specify)
- 6 Multidistrict Litigation

VI. CAUSE OF ACTION

Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing (Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity):

28 U.S.C. §1332

Brief description of cause:
Diversity

VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:

CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER RULE 23, F.R.Cv.P.

DEMAND \$

CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:

JURY DEMAND: Yes No

VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY

(See instructions):

JUDGE

DOCKET NUMBER

DATE 06/02/2016 SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD

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13 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
14 **SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**
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16 ERIC ZATT, individually and on behalf
17 of all others similarly situated,
18 Plaintiff,
19 v.
20 AT&T CORPORATION and AT&T
21 MOBILITY, LLC,
22 Defendant.

Case No. '16CV1323 BEN RBB

AFFIDAVIT PURSUANT TO
CALIFORNIA CIVIL CODE § 1780(d)

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1 I, SAMUEL M. WARD, declare and state as follows:

2 1. I am the Attorney of Record for Plaintiff in the above-entitled action,
3 and Plaintiff is bringing a Cause of Action pursuant to California's Consumer
4 Legal Remedies Act that requires the concurrent filing of this affidavit;

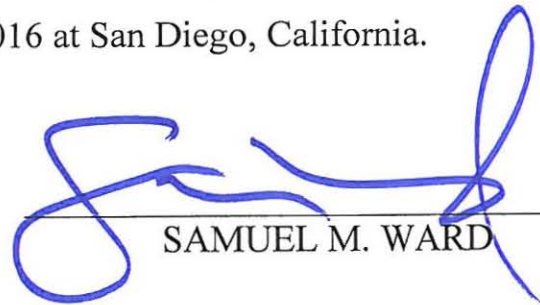
5 2. The United States District Court for the Central District of California
6 is the proper place for trial of this action for the following reasons:

7 a. One or more of the violations alleged in the underlying
8 complaint occurred in the State of California, County of San
9 Diego; and/or

10 b. Plaintiff was a resident of the State of California, County of San
11 Diego, at the time of the violations alleged in the complaint
12 occurred

13 3. I declare, under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of
14 California that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and, if
15 called as witnesses, I could and would competently testify as to the same.

16 Executed on this 2nd day of June 2016 at San Diego, California.

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20 SAMUEL M. WARD

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22 SEE ATTACHED
23 COMMISSION # 2090207
24 EXP NOV 16, 2018

CALIFORNIA ALL-PURPOSE CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT

State of California

County of San Diego

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

On JUNE 2, 2016 before me, Joseph Conway, Notary Public,
(here insert name and title of the officer)

personally appeared SAMUEL M. WARD

who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person~~(s)~~ whose name~~(s)~~ is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity~~(ies)~~, and that by his/her/their signature~~(s)~~ on the instrument the person~~(s)~~, or the entity upon behalf of which the person~~(s)~~ acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

[Signature]
Signature of Notary Public



(Seal)

ADDITIONAL OPTIONAL INFORMATION

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THIS FORM

Any acknowledgment completed in California must contain verbiage exactly as appears above in the notary section or a separate acknowledgment form must be properly completed and attached to that document. The only exception is if a document is to be recorded outside of California. In such instances, any alternative acknowledgment verbiage as may be printed on such a document so long as the verbiage does not require the notary to do something that is illegal for a notary in California (i.e. certifying the authorized capacity of the signer). Please check the document carefully for proper notarial wording and attach this form if required.

- State and County information must be the State and County where the document signer(s) personally appeared before the notary public for acknowledgment.
- Date of notarization must be the date that the signer(s) personally appeared which must also be the same date the acknowledgment is completed.
- The notary public must print his or her name as it appears within his or her commission followed by a comma and then your title (notary public).
- Print the name(s) of document signer(s) who personally appear at the time of notarization.
- Indicate the correct singular or plural forms by crossing off incorrect forms (i.e. ~~he/she/they~~, is /are) or circling the correct forms. Failure to correctly indicate this information may lead to rejection of document recording.
- The notary seal impression must be clear and photographically reproducible. Impression must not cover text or lines. If seal impression smudges, re-seal if a sufficient area permits, otherwise complete a different acknowledgment form.
- Signature of the notary public must match the signature on file with the office of the county clerk.
 - ❖ Additional information is not required but could help to ensure this acknowledgment is not misused or attached to a different document.
 - ❖ Indicate title or type of attached document, number of pages and date.
 - ❖ Indicate the capacity claimed by the signer. If the claimed capacity is a corporate officer, indicate the title (i.e. CEO, CFO, Secretary).
- Securely attach this document to the signed document

DESCRIPTION OF THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT

AFFIDAVIT
(Title or description of attached document)

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CAPACITY CLAIMED BY THE SIGNER

Individual (s)

Corporate Officer

(Title)

Partner(s)

Attorney-in-Fact

Trustee(s)

Other _____