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

11 ANDREA FAHEY; and KEVIN SMITH,
12 individually and on behalf of all others
13 similarly situated,

14 Plaintiffs,

15 v.

16 SUN BUM LLC,

17 Defendant.

Case No. **'25CV2263 H SBC**

CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT

(JURY TRIAL DEMANDED)

18 Andrea Fahey (“Plaintiff Fahey”) and Kevin Smith (“Plaintiff Smith”)
19 (collectively, “Plaintiffs”), individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,
20 make the following allegations pursuant to the investigation of their counsel and based
21 upon information and belief, except as to allegations pertaining specifically to
22 themselves or their counsel, which are based on personal knowledge.

23 **NATURE OF THE CASE**

24 1. Plaintiffs bring this action against Defendant Sun Bum LLC to redress
25 and put a stop to the false, deceptive, and unlawful manner in which Defendant has
26 labeled, distributed, advertised, promoted, and marketed its sunscreen product “Sun
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1 Bum SPF 50 Mineral Sunscreen Lotion” (the “Product”). On the Product’s labeling,
2 and in advertising and promotional materials for the Product, Defendant represents
3 that the Product provides a sun protection factor (“SPF”) that is far higher than the
4 SPF that the Product actually provides, thereby deceiving consumers into believing
5 that the Product offers better protection against sunburns and other dangerous effects
6 of exposure to ultraviolet radiation (such as skin cancer and premature aging) than it
7 actually provides, and that the Product is thus worth purchasing at a price higher than
8 what is charged for other lower-SPF sunscreens.

9 2. Plaintiffs and members of the putative Classes (defined below) purchased
10 the Product based on Defendant’s representations that the Product provides SPF 50
11 protection. Unbeknownst to them, however, the Product actually provides only SPF
12 17 protection—nearly one-third of the protection Defendant represents—as
13 independent laboratory testing commissioned by Plaintiffs’ counsel has revealed. At
14 SPF 17, the Product provides far less protection from the sun’s harmful rays—and is
15 of significantly lower quality and worth far less money—than a sunscreen that actually
16 provides SPF 50 protection.

17 3. Defendant has labeled, distributed, advertised, promoted, and marketed
18 the Product as providing greater protection against the sun’s harmful rays than it
19 actually provides in order to capitalize on consumer demand for high-SPF sunscreens,
20 such as SPF 50 sunscreens. By promising SPF 50 protection, the Product sells at
21 premium prices and, in turn, generates more revenue and profit for Defendant than its
22 lower-SPF sunscreen counterparts.

23 4. By falsely representing the SPF protection provided by the Product,
24 Defendant has knowingly misled and continues to knowingly mislead consumers into
25 believing that they are purchasing a sunscreen with better quality, filtration,
26 absorption, and reflection capabilities against ultraviolet radiation than the lower-SPF
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1 product that they actually receive, thereby deceiving them into paying a premium price
2 for a non-premium product.

3 5. Defendant's practices of falsely, deceptively, and misleadingly
4 representing that the Product provides SPF protection of 50 (including on the Product's
5 labeling and in advertising and promotional materials) induced Plaintiffs and
6 numerous other consumers into either purchasing a product they otherwise would not
7 have purchased at all, or paying significantly more for a product than they would have
8 paid had it been labeled, distributed, advertised and promoted with accurate SPF
9 representations.

10 6. Accordingly, Plaintiffs bring this class action complaint against
11 Defendant to redress and put a stop to its practices of falsely, deceptively, and
12 unlawfully misrepresenting the SPF protection provided by the Product—conduct that
13 has caused and continues to cause significant harm to consumers nationwide, including
14 in California and Florida. Plaintiffs seek actual damages, restitution, injunctive relief,
15 and other legal and equitable remedies on behalf of themselves and others similarly
16 situated.

17 **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

18 7. The Court has subject-matter jurisdiction over this civil action pursuant
19 to 28 U.S.C. § 1332(d) because (i) there are 100 or more members of each of the
20 putative Classes, (ii) the aggregate amount in controversy as to each of the putative
21 Classes exceeds \$5,000,000, exclusive of interest and costs, and (iii) at least one
22 member of each of the Classes is a citizen of a state different from Defendant.

23 8. Personal jurisdiction and venue are proper because Defendant maintains
24 its headquarters and principal place of business in Encinitas, California, within this
25 judicial District.

1 **PARTIES**

2 9. Plaintiff Fahey is, and at all times relevant hereto was, a citizen and
3 resident of Indian River County, Florida. On or about April 30, 2025, Plaintiff Fahey
4 purchased the Product (Sun Bum SPF 50 Mineral Sunscreen Lotion), bearing Lot #
5 S407DH and containing the active ingredient Zinc Oxide 20%, in a purchase totaling
6 \$31.63 plus tax at a Publix grocery store in Florida.

7 10. Plaintiff Smith is, and at all times relevant hereto was, a citizen and
8 resident of Alameda County, California. On or about June 9, 2025, Plaintiff Smith
9 purchased the Product (Sun Bum SPF 50 Mineral Sunscreen Lotion), bearing Lot #
10 S518IH and containing the active ingredient Zinc Oxide 20%, in a purchase totaling
11 \$106.35 plus tax at a Target retail store in California.

12 11. Defendant Sun Bum, LLC is a Michigan limited liability company with
13 its principal place of business located in Encinitas, California. Defendant manufactures
14 and labels the Product, and advertises, promotes, and markets the Product throughout
15 the United States, including in California and Florida. Defendant's products, including
16 the Product at issue in this case, are sold through various online e-commerce platforms
17 and at physical retail locations nationwide, including throughout California and
18 Florida.

19 **FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

20 **I. Consumers Perceive High-SPF Sunscreens as Providing Greater**
21 **Protection from the Sun and Justifying Higher Purchase Prices than**
22 **Their Lower-SPF Sunscreen Counterparts**

23 12. Sunscreens, topically applied products that protect against sunburns and
24 other effects of exposure to ultraviolet radiation (such as skin cancer and premature
25 aging), are sold by numerous companies in varying SPF values, which these
26 companies prominently represent on the products' labels and in advertisements and
27 other promotional materials for the products.

1 13. SPF is a standardized rating system that measures the fraction of sunburn-
 2 producing ultraviolet rays capable of reaching the skin. The SPF value of a sunscreen
 3 product informs consumers of the level of sunburn protection provided by the
 4 sunscreen by indicating the approximate measure of time that a person who has applied
 5 the sunscreen can stay in the sun without getting burned. As an example, a product
 6 represented as providing SPF 50 protection should permit a person to stay in the sun
 7 50 times longer without burning than if that person were wearing no protection at all.
 8 Thus, a product with a higher SPF is better able to prevent sunburn by more effectively
 9 filtering, absorbing, reflecting, and/or scattering more ultraviolet radiation than
 10 products of a lower SPF.

11 14. Academics,¹ legislators,² and medical organizations³ alike have
 12 emphasized the importance of sunscreen in protecting against the damaging effects of
 13 ultraviolet radiation and the importance of appropriately disclosing the SPF
 14 capabilities of sunscreen products.

15 15. Consumers are familiar with SPF because SPF values have appeared on
 16 sunscreens for decades. Reasonable consumers have learned to correctly understand
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 19 ¹ See Charles P. Tribby et al., *Perceived Usefulness and Recall of Sunscreen Label Information by Consumers*, 157 JAMA DERMATOLOGY 573 (2021).

20 ² See Press Release, *Senator Chuck Schumer: New Report Shows Nearly Half of All Sunscreens Make False Claims About SPF Protection* (July 20, 2016),
 21 [https://www.schumer.senate.gov/newsroom/press-releases/schumer-new-report-](https://www.schumer.senate.gov/newsroom/press-releases/schumer-new-report-shows-nearly-half-of-all-sunscreens-make-false-claims-about-spf-protection-senator-pushes-fda-to-test-sunscreens-confirm-true-spf-numbers-and-crackdown-on-labels-that-promise-protection-but-instead-leave-consumers-burned)
 22 [shows-nearly-half-of-all-sunscreens-make-false-claims-about-spf-protection-senator-](https://www.schumer.senate.gov/newsroom/press-releases/schumer-new-report-shows-nearly-half-of-all-sunscreens-make-false-claims-about-spf-protection-senator-pushes-fda-to-test-sunscreens-confirm-true-spf-numbers-and-crackdown-on-labels-that-promise-protection-but-instead-leave-consumers-burned)
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 24 [that-promise-protection-but-instead-leave-consumers-burned.](https://www.schumer.senate.gov/newsroom/press-releases/schumer-new-report-shows-nearly-half-of-all-sunscreens-make-false-claims-about-spf-protection-senator-pushes-fda-to-test-sunscreens-confirm-true-spf-numbers-and-crackdown-on-labels-that-promise-protection-but-instead-leave-consumers-burned)

25 ³ S. Kim et al., *Prevalence and Correlates of Sun Protections with Sunburn and Vitamin D Deficiency in Sun-Sensitive Individuals*, 34 J. EUR. ACAD. DERMATOL. VENEREOL. 2664 (2020); AM. ACAD. DERMATOLOGY ASS'N, *How to Select Sunscreen*, [https://www.aad.org/public/everyday-care/sun-protection/shade-clothing-](https://www.aad.org/public/everyday-care/sun-protection/shade-clothing-sunscreen/how-to-select-sunscreen)
 26 [sunscreen/how-to-select-sunscreen](https://www.aad.org/public/everyday-care/sun-protection/shade-clothing-sunscreen/how-to-select-sunscreen) (last visited Aug. 21, 2025).
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1 that higher-SPF sunscreens provide greater protection against the sun's harmful rays
2 than lower-SPF sunscreens. Accordingly, reasonable consumers expect that if they
3 purchase and use a sunscreen labeled SPF 50, for instance, that they will be better
4 protected against sunburn and cancer-causing ultraviolet rays than if they had
5 purchased and used a sunscreen labeled as, for instance, SPF 30.

6 16. Consumers thus rely on representations of the SPF values of sunscreens
7 as they compare, assess, and make decisions on which sunscreen products to purchase.

8 **II. Defendant's Product**

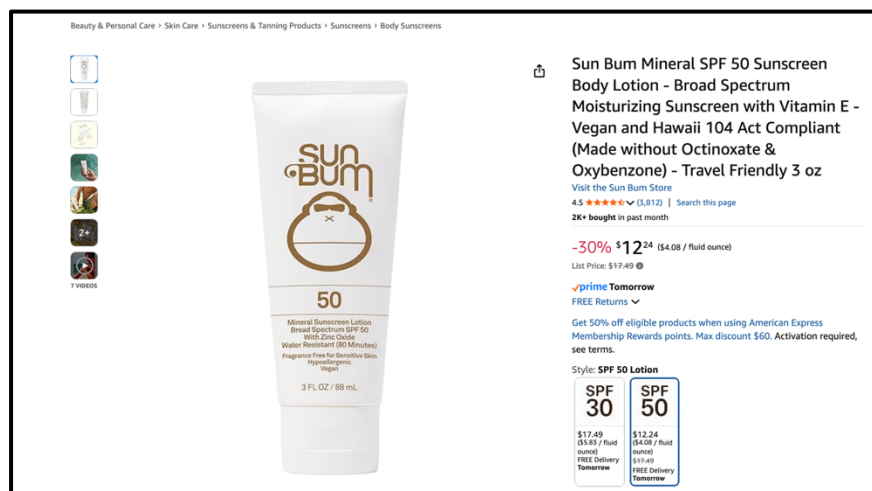
9 17. The Product in question here, Sun Bum SPF 50 Mineral Sunscreen
10 Lotion, is produced, manufactured, labeled, distributed, and advertised, promoted, and
11 marketed by Defendant.

12 18. Defendant has entered licensing agreements for the Product to be sold in
13 e-commerce platforms online and in physical retail stores across the United States,
14 including but not limited to on the websites of and at retail stores operated by CVS,
15 Amazon, Ulta Beauty, Target, and many others.

16 19. Regardless of where the Product is sold, the Product is uniformly sold in
17 the same bottles and with the same labeling, which expressly state (in large letters on
18 the front of the bottle and box) that the Product provides SPF "50" protection, as shown
19 below:



20. Some online locations where the Product is sold, including Amazon, track the number of sales made for the Product. As shown below, the Product has been purchased over 2,000 times in the last month alone from Amazon:⁴



⁴ The Product is offered for purchase at the following Amazon webpage: <https://www.amazon.com/Sun-Bum-Sunscreen-Protection-Hypoallergenic/dp/B072KGPSYP?th=1>.

1 protection than SPF 50, which Defendant has falsely represented the Product to
2 consumers as providing. SPF 17 protection affords users a significantly shorter period
3 of exposure to ultraviolet radiation without damage when compared to the period of
4 exposure to ultraviolet radiation without damage that SPF 50 protection affords.

5 27. The Product that Plaintiffs purchased, like the Product purchased by each
6 member of the Classes during the time period relevant to this action, contained the
7 same percentage of active ingredients as the Product sent for testing by Plaintiffs'
8 counsel. During the time period relevant to this action, there were no reported recalls,
9 manufacturing issues, or other events concerning the Product to suggest that any
10 bottles of the Product might contain different amounts of the active ingredient used in
11 the Product than any other bottles of the Product. Accordingly, all bottles of the
12 Product manufactured, labeled, and distributed by Defendant and purchased by
13 consumers during the time period relevant to this action contain the same or materially
14 the same active ingredient and provide the same or materially the same SPF
15 protection—all significantly less protection than SPF 50.

16 28. Defendant, as the producer, manufacturer, distributor, and labeler of the
17 Product, and the employer of a dedicated team of product testing professionals, has
18 been aware or should have been aware, since the Product's inception, that the true SPF
19 protection provided by the Product is significantly lower than 50. For 15 years,
20 Defendant has manufactured products designed "to protect our friends and families
21 from the sun."⁵ And to better advertise, promote, and market its products, Defendant
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26 ⁵ See Sun Bum, *About Us*, available at <https://www.sunbum.com/pages/about-us> (last
27 visited August 25, 2025).

1 maintains a “Trust the Bum” campaign that encourages consumers to trust its products
2 based on Defendant’s superior knowledge and experience in sunburn protection.⁶

3 29. Moreover, based on the Product’s chemical formula and active
4 ingredients alone, Defendant either knew or should have known that the true SPF
5 protection provided by the Product is significantly lower than SPF 50.

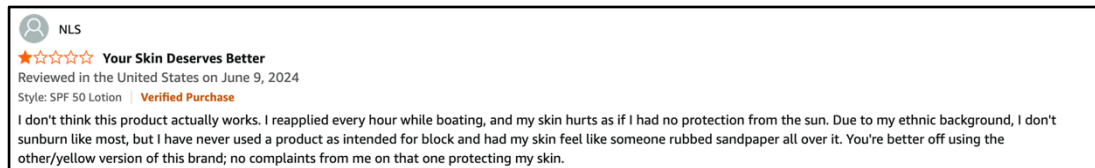
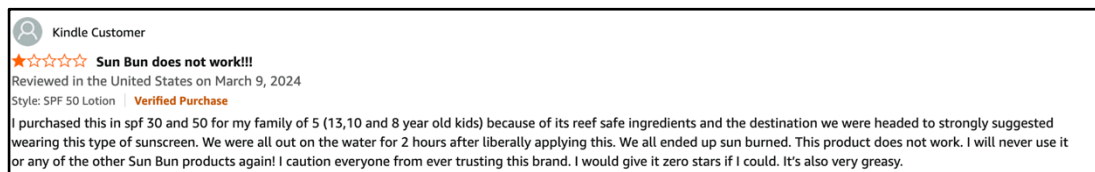
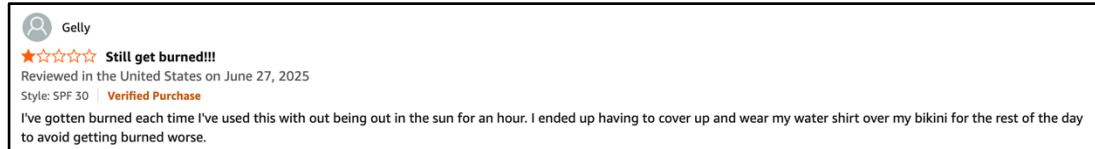
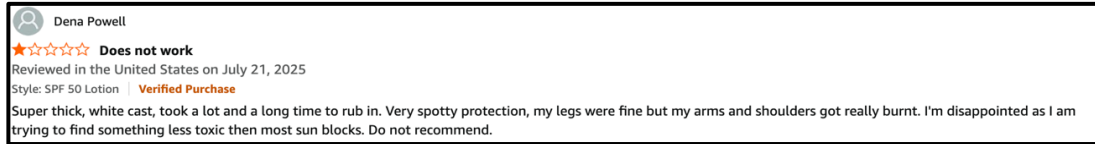
6 30. Additionally, Defendant was required to perform and did perform testing
7 on the Product, including concerning the protection against ultraviolet radiation
8 provided by the Product, prior to the Product being labeled, advertised, marketed,
9 distributed, and offered for sale to consumers.⁷ Such testing either made or should have
10 made Defendant aware that the true SPF protection provided by the Product is
11 significantly lower than SPF 50.

12 31. Plaintiffs are just two among numerous consumers nationwide who have
13 been deceived by Defendant’s false and misleading representations of the SPF
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16 ⁶ Sun Bum, *Sun Education*, available at https://www.sunbum.com/pages/sun-protection-guide#shopify-section-template--18448930996271__main_media_bleed_ftCFDX (last visited August 25, 2025)
17 (touting that Trust the Bum campaign “means trust us, the ones who live on the beach
18 and need products that work on even the most intense days in the sun, and claiming
19 that “the simple truth is, when you make products to protect the ones you love, you
20 make ‘em better”); *see also* Sun Bum, *Hawaii Act 104 Compliant*, available at
21 https://www.sunbum.com/pages/hawaii-act-104-reef-compliant?_pos=6&_sid=56df65940&_ss=r (last visited August 25, 2025) (“Our goal
22 is to continue making more effective sunscreen products with the best ingredients
23 possible for the purpose of protecting ourselves, our kids and our community from the
harmful dangers of the sun.”).

24 ⁷ *See, e.g.,* Sun Bum, *Hawaii Act 104 Compliant*, available at
25 https://www.sunbum.com/pages/hawaii-act-104-reef-compliant?_pos=6&_sid=56df65940&_ss=r (last visited August 25, 2025)
26 (explaining that its “sunscreens are made without Oxybenzone and Octinoxate” in
27 compliance with Hawaii’s law and research on these ingredients).

protection provided by the Product, as the following examples of publicly available “reviews”⁸ of the Product reflect:



32. At all times relevant hereto, Defendant either knew or should have known that its representations that the Product provides SPF protection of 50 were untrue, false and/or misleading, and made these representations knowing that consumers would rely upon the Product’s represented SPF value of 50 in deciding to purchase the Product and in using the Product while exposed to the sun’s harmful ultraviolet radiation.

33. Defendant’s misrepresentations of the SPF protection provided by the Product, on the labeling of the Product and in advertising and promotional materials

⁸ These reviews are accessible at the following webpage: https://www.amazon.com/product-reviews/B072KGPSYP/ref=cm_cr_unknown?ie=UTF8&reviewerType=all_reviews&filterByStar=one_star&pageNumber=1.

1 for the Product, were made for the purpose of inducing—and did in fact induce—
2 consumers (including Plaintiffs and members of the Classes) to purchase the Product
3 at a premium price, based on their reasonable but mistaken beliefs that the Product
4 provides greater protection against the sun’s harmful rays than its lower-SPF
5 sunscreen counterparts.

6 **IV. Plaintiffs’ Experiences**

7 **A. Plaintiff Fahey**

8 34. Plaintiff Fahey purchased the Product on or about April 30, 2025 in
9 Florida.

10 35. SPF was the most important consideration in Plaintiff Fahey’s decision
11 to purchase the Product. Plaintiff Fahey values the filtration, absorption, and reflection
12 capabilities against UV rays provided by high SPF sunscreens, such as those of SPF
13 50 protection.

14 36. Prior to purchasing the Product, Plaintiff Fahey saw—and in making her
15 decision to purchase, she relied on—Defendant’s representations on the label of the
16 Product that the Product provided “SPF 50” protection.

17 37. Prior to purchasing the Product, Plaintiff Fahey had no choice but to
18 necessarily and justifiably rely upon the written statements on the Product as accurate.
19 Plaintiff Fahey had no ability to review or independently assess Defendant’s
20 proprietary knowledge regarding the data and information concerning the chemical
21 formula and performance of the Product. Plaintiff Fahey had no reason to suspect or
22 know that the Product contained a lower SPF than the value of 50 that Defendant had
23 branded, advertised, and stated in writing on the Product’s label.

24 38. Based on Defendant’s representations on the product’s labeling, Plaintiff
25 Fahey expected the Product she purchased would be SPF 50 in terms of quality,
26 filtration, absorption, and reflection capabilities against ultraviolet radiation.

1 39. After purchasing the Product, Plaintiff Fahey immediately started using
2 the Product. The Product was not as advertised, and Plaintiff Fahey found the product
3 to be neither of the quality, absorption, nor filtration she expected (nor that any
4 reasonable consumer would expect) from a sunscreen providing SPF 50 protection.
5 As a result, Plaintiff Fahey later discontinued her use of the Product.

6 40. As the direct and proximate result of Defendant's false, deceptive, and
7 misleading statements and omissions concerning the Product, Plaintiff Fahey suffered
8 economic injury by paying a premium for an inferior quality good and by being
9 deprived of the full intended use of the Product and the full benefit of the bargain
10 promised by Defendant.

11 **B. Plaintiff Smith**

12 41. Plaintiff Smith purchased the Product on or about June 5, 2025 in
13 California.

14 42. SPF was the most important consideration in Plaintiff Smith's decision
15 to purchase the Product. Plaintiff Smith values the filtration, absorption, and reflection
16 capabilities against UV rays provided by high SPF sunscreens, such as those of SPF
17 50 protection.

18 43. Prior to purchasing the Product, Plaintiff Smith saw—and in making his
19 decision to purchase, he relied on—Defendant's representations on the label of the
20 Product that the Product provided "SPF 50" protection.

21 44. Prior to purchasing the Product, Plaintiff Smith had no choice but to
22 necessarily and justifiably rely upon the written statements on the Product as accurate.
23 Plaintiff Smith had no ability to review or independently assess Defendant's
24 proprietary knowledge regarding the data and information concerning the chemical
25 formula and performance of the Product. Plaintiff Smith had no reason to suspect or
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1 know that the Product contained a lower SPF than the value of 50 that Defendant had
2 branded, advertised, and stated in writing on the Product's label.

3 45. Based on Defendant's representations on the product's labeling, Plaintiff
4 Smith expected the Product he purchased would be SPF 50 in terms of quality,
5 filtration, absorption, and reflection capabilities against ultraviolet radiation.

6 46. After purchasing the Product, Plaintiff Smith immediately started using
7 the Product. The Product was not as advertised, and Plaintiff Smith found the product
8 to be neither of the quality, absorption, nor filtration he expected (nor that any
9 reasonable consumer would expect) from a sunscreen providing SPF 50 protection.
10 As a result, Plaintiff Smith later discontinued his use of the Product.

11 47. Had Plaintiffs known that the Product actually provides SPF protection
12 of 17, nearly one-third of the SPF 50 protection that Defendant misrepresented the
13 Product as providing (on its labeling and in advertising and promotional materials),
14 Plaintiffs would either not have purchased the Product at all or not paid nearly as much
15 money for the Product.

16 48. As the direct and proximate result of Defendant's false, deceptive, and
17 misleading statements and omissions concerning the Product, Plaintiff Smith suffered
18 economic injury by paying a premium for an inferior quality good and by being
19 deprived of the full intended use of the Product and the full benefit of the bargain
20 promised by Defendant.

21 **CLASS ALLEGATIONS**

22 49. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23, Plaintiffs seek to
23 represent the following "Nationwide Class":

24 All persons in the United States who, during the applicable limitation
25 period, purchased "Sun Bum SPF 50 Mineral Sunscreen Lotion."
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50. Plaintiff Smith seeks to represent the following “California Subclass” pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23:

All persons who, during the applicable limitation period, purchased “Sun Bum SPF 50 Mineral Sunscreen Lotion” in California.

51. Plaintiff Fahey seeks to represent the following “Florida Subclass” pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23:

All persons who, during the applicable limitation period, purchased “Sun Bum SPF 50 Mineral Sunscreen Lotion” in Florida.

52. The “Nationwide Class,” “California Subclass,” and the “Florida Subclass” are at times referred to herein collectively as the “Classes”.

53. Plaintiffs reserve the right to modify the definitions of the Classes following the commencement of discovery and further investigation.

54. Excluded from the Classes are Defendant, any parent, subsidiary, or affiliate of Defendant, as well as the officers, directors, agents, servants, or employees of the foregoing.

55. This action may properly be brought and maintained as a class action pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(a) and (b). This class action satisfies the numerosity, typicality, adequacy, commonality, predominance, and superiority requirements.

56. The Classes are so numerous that their individual joinder herein is impracticable. The number of persons within the Classes is substantial. Plaintiffs are informed and believe, and thereupon allege, that there are more than a million persons who comprise the Nationwide Class, at least several hundred thousand persons who comprise the California Subclass, and at least several hundred thousand persons who comprise the Florida Subclass. The precise number of members of the Classes and their identities are unknown to Plaintiffs at this time but may be determined through discovery. Members of the Classes may be notified of the pendency of this action by

1 mail and/or publication through the purchase records of Defendant and relevant third
2 parties.

3 57. Common questions of law and fact exist for all members of the Classes
4 and predominate over questions affecting only individual members. Common legal
5 and factual questions include, but are not limited to:

6 (a) whether Defendant's representations that the Product provided
7 SPF protection of 50 were false, deceptive, and/or misleading;

8 (b) whether Defendant knew or should have known that its
9 misrepresentations, as alleged herein, were false or misleading to
10 consumers;

11 (c) whether reasonable consumers would rely on Defendant's
12 misrepresentations concerning the Product's SPF, as alleged herein,
13 and reasonably believe the Product had the capability advertised;

14 (d) whether Defendant designed the Product's labeling, advertising
15 and promotional materials for the Product, and received and retained
16 profits attributable to sales of the Product, in California;

17 (e) Whether Defendant's conduct, as alleged herein, violated the
18 statutes and laws at issue; and

19 (f) the damages to which Plaintiffs and the Classes are entitled to
20 redress Defendant's unlawful conduct, as alleged herein.

21 58. The named Plaintiffs' claims are typical of the claims of unnamed
22 members of the Classes in that the named Plaintiffs and all members of the Classes
23 suffered similar injuries as a result of the same, uniform conduct and practices by the
24 Defendant, as alleged herein.

25 59. Plaintiffs are adequate representatives of the Classes they seek to
26 represent because their interests are aligned, and do not conflict, with the interests of
27 the other members of the Classes, they have retained competent counsel experienced
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1 in prosecuting consumer class actions, and they intend to prosecute this action
2 vigorously. Plaintiffs and their counsel will fairly and adequately protect the interests
3 of the Classes.

4 60. A class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and
5 efficient adjudication of this controversy because individual litigation of the claims of
6 all members of the Classes is impracticable. The individual interest of each member
7 of the Classes in controlling the prosecution of separate claims is small because the
8 damages at stake for these claims on an individual basis are small. Even if every
9 member of the Classes could afford to pursue individual litigation, the Court system
10 could not. It would be unduly burdensome to the courts in which individual litigation
11 of numerous cases would proceed. Individualized litigation would also present the
12 potential for varying, inconsistent or contradictory judgments, and would magnify the
13 delay and expense to all parties and to the court system resulting from multiple trials
14 of the same factual issues. By contrast, the maintenance of this action as a class action,
15 with respect to some or all of the issues presented herein, presents few management
16 difficulties, conserves the resources of the parties and of the court system, and protects
17 the rights of each member of the Classes. Plaintiffs anticipate no difficulty in the
18 management of this action as a class action.

19 **CLAIMS FOR RELIEF**

20 **FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF**

21 **Unjust Enrichment**

22 (By Plaintiffs, Individually and on Behalf of the
23 Nationwide Class, Against Defendant)

24 61. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate paragraphs 1–60 as though fully set forth
25 herein.

26 62. Plaintiffs bring this claim individually and on behalf of the members of
27 the Nationwide Class against Defendant under California common law.

1 63. Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class Members have conferred substantial
2 benefits on Defendant by purchasing the Product, including the monetary profits that
3 Defendant received attributable to sales of the Product to Plaintiffs and members of
4 the Nationwide Class.

5 64. Defendant received and retained, at its corporate headquarters in
6 California, the monetary profits that it received attributable to sales of the Product to
7 Plaintiffs and members of the Nationwide Class. Defendant appreciates or has
8 knowledge of such benefits, which it received in California and retains in California.

9 65. Defendant has knowingly and willingly accepted and enjoyed these
10 benefits in California.

11 66. Defendant either knew or should have known that the payments rendered
12 by Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class members were given and received with the
13 expectation that the Product would be as represented and warranted. For Defendant
14 to retain the benefit of Plaintiffs' and Nationwide Class members' payments under
15 these circumstances is inequitable.

16 67. As a result of the deliberate misrepresentations Defendant made on the
17 labeling of the Product, and in advertising and promotional materials for the Product,
18 that the Product provided SPF protection of 50—representations Defendant made from
19 its headquarters in California, on product labeling and in advertising and promotional
20 materials for the Product that Defendant conceived of and designed from its
21 headquarters in California—Defendant wrongfully received and retained, in California
22 (including at bank accounts maintained in California), monetary revenue and profits
23 attributable to sales of the Product.

24 68. As described above, had Plaintiffs been aware of the actual SPF
25 protection provided by the Product, they would not have paid as much as they did for
26 the Product or would not have purchased the Product at all.

1 69. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's wrongful conduct and
2 unjust enrichment, Plaintiffs and the other Nationwide Class members have suffered
3 actual damages, in the form of the value that Plaintiffs and the other Nationwide Class
4 members paid for and ascribed to a product that provides SPF protection of 50, which
5 is what Defendant falsely represented the Product as providing.

6 70. Equity demands disgorgement of Defendant's ill-begotten gains.
7 Defendant will be unjustly enriched unless it is ordered to disgorge those profits for
8 the benefit of Plaintiffs and Nationwide Class members.

9 71. Plaintiffs and the Nationwide Class members are entitled to restitution
10 from Defendant and institution of a constructive trust disgorging all profits, benefits,
11 and other compensation obtained by Defendant through this inequitable conduct.

12 **SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF**

13 **Violation of Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17200, *et seq.***

14 **(By Plaintiff Smith, Individually and on Behalf of the
15 California Subclass, Against Defendant)**

16 72. Plaintiff Smith repeats and incorporates paragraphs 1–60 as though fully
17 set forth herein.

18 73. Plaintiff Smith brings this claim individually and on behalf of the
19 members of the California Subclass against Defendant.

20 74. The Unfair Competition Law, California Business & Professions Code
21 §§ 17200, *et seq.* (the "UCL"), prohibits any "unlawful," "unfair," or "fraudulent"
22 business act or practice and any false or misleading advertising.

23 75. Defendant's acts and practices, as alleged herein, were unlawful, unfair,
24 and fraudulent under the UCL.

25 76. Defendant's conduct, as alleged herein, constituted an "unfair" business
26 act or practice because, as alleged above, Defendant produced, manufactured, labeled,
27 distributed, marketed, promoted, and advertised the Product (which was purchased by
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1 consumers throughout California) as providing an SPF protection of 50, which it knew
2 or should have known is materially higher than the SPF protection that it actually
3 provides. In so doing, Defendant intentionally, deceptively, and falsely labeled and
4 advertised the Product and omitted material facts regarding the Product, and engaged
5 in immoral, unethical, oppressive, and/or unscrupulous activities that were
6 substantially injurious to consumers, offending an established public policy in
7 California. Defendant's conduct, as alleged herein, was also "unfair" because
8 whatever utility Defendant derived from mislabeling the SPF protection provided by
9 its Product was outweighed by the resulting consumer deception and overcharges.

10 77. Defendant's representations that the Product provides SPF protection of
11 50 also constituted "fraudulent" business practices in violation of the UCL because
12 such misrepresentations were intentional and were likely to deceive—and in fact did
13 deceive—reasonable consumers and the public into believing the Product has greater
14 filtration, absorption, and reflection capabilities against ultraviolet radiation than other
15 alternative products providing lower SPF protection than the Product was represented
16 to provide, causing them to justifiably rely on such misrepresentations in deciding to
17 purchase the Product.

18 78. Additionally, Defendant's conduct, as alleged herein, was "unlawful"
19 under the UCL because it violates California's False Advertising Law, Cal. Bus. &
20 Prof. Code §§ 17500 *et seq.*, and California's express warranty law, Cal. Com. Code
21 § 2313.

22 79. Plaintiff Smith saw and relied on Defendant's representations that the
23 Product provided SPF protection of 50. These representations were intentionally false,
24 deceptive, and misleading, as described herein.

25 80. Reasonable and available alternatives existed to further Defendant's
26 legitimate business interests other than the conduct described herein.

1 88. As noted above, Defendant falsely or misleadingly represented that the
2 Product provides SPF protection of 50, when in fact the SPF protection it provides is
3 materially less than 50.

4 89. Defendant made this misrepresentation for the purposes of inducing
5 purchases of the Product by consumers and maximizing the number of purchases of
6 the Product by consumers.

7 90. Reasonable consumers, like Plaintiff Smith, were likely to be (and
8 actually were) misled by this misrepresentation. As noted above, there is no practical
9 means for an individual consumer to verify a product's SPF prior to purchase, because
10 verifying a product's SPF requires highly technical and expensive testing. Moreover,
11 reliance on a manufacturer's SPF representations is standard practice by consumers.

12 91. Plaintiff Smith and California Subclass members suffered economic
13 injury as a result of Defendant's misrepresentations that the Product provides SPF
14 protection of 50. But for Defendant's false SPF claims, Plaintiff Smith and California
15 Subclass members would not have paid as much as they did for the Product or would
16 not have purchased the Product at all. Accordingly, Plaintiff Smith and California
17 Subclass members were misled into paying a price for the Product that they would not
18 have paid had Defendant truthfully and accurately represented the SPF protection
19 provided by the Product.

20 92. As a result of Defendant's misrepresentations of the SPF protection
21 provided by the Product, Plaintiff Smith and California Subclass members have been
22 injured in the full amount of money they paid for the Product or at the very least in
23 excess of what they would have paid for the Product had its actual SPF value been
24 truthfully and accurately represented.

FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

Breach of Express Warranty

(By Plaintiff Smith, Individually and on Behalf of the
California Subclass, Against Defendant)

93. Plaintiff Smith repeats and incorporates paragraphs 1–60 as though fully set forth herein.

94. Plaintiff Smith brings this claim individually and on behalf of the members of the California Subclass against Defendant under California Commercial Code § 2313.

95. Defendant manufactured, labeled, and advertised and promoted the Product in its regular course of business.

96. Plaintiff Smith and the California Subclass members purchased the Product.

97. Defendant represented that the Product provides SPF protection of 50 to the public, including Plaintiff Smith and California Subclass members, on the labeling of the Product and in advertising and promotional materials for the Product.

98. Defendant intended its SPF 50 representations—which figure prominently on the Product’s labeling and in advertising and promotional materials for the Product—to be relied upon by consumers like Plaintiff Smith and California Subclass members who would ultimately use the Product on themselves and their loved ones.

99. Plaintiff Smith reasonably relied on these representations, which formed the basis of his bargain, in purchasing the Product.

100. Defendant breached this express warranty in that the Product does not provide SPF protection of 50 (but rather provides SPF protection far lower than 50).

101. The SPF protection represented on the labels of the Product was false when the sales of the Product to Plaintiff Smith and California Subclass members took

1 place, and the falsity of these representations was undiscoverable by Plaintiff Smith
2 and the California Subclass members at the time they made their purchases.

3 102. All conditions precedent to seeking liability under this claim for breach
4 of express warranty have been performed by or on behalf of Plaintiff Smith and the
5 members of the California Subclass in terms of paying for the goods at issue.

6 103. Defendant also had actual or constructive notice of its false SPF
7 representations on the labeling of the Product based upon its testing of the Product and
8 its knowledge of the active ingredient (including by its quantity) comprising the
9 Product.

10 104. Defendant's breach of express warranty has caused Plaintiff Smith and
11 the members of the California Subclass to suffer injuries, pay for a falsely labeled
12 Product, and enter into transactions that they would not have entered into at all or for
13 the consideration paid. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's breach of
14 express warranty, Plaintiff Smith and the California Subclass members have suffered
15 damages and continue to suffer damages, including economic damages, in terms of the
16 full price of the Product or, at the very least, the difference between the value of the
17 product as promised and the value of the product as delivered.

18 105. As a result of Defendant's breach of an express warranty, Plaintiff Smith
19 and the members of the California Subclass are entitled to legal and equitable relief,
20 including damages, costs, attorneys' fees, rescission, and other relief as deemed
21 appropriate, for an amount to compensate them for not receiving the benefit of their
22 bargain.

FIFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

Breach of Implied Warranty of Merchantability
(By Plaintiff Smith, Individually and on Behalf of the
California Subclass, Against Defendant)

106. Plaintiff Smith repeats and incorporates paragraphs 1–60 as though fully set forth herein.

107. Plaintiff Smith brings this claim individually and on behalf of the members of the California Subclass against Defendant under California Commercial Code § 2314 and the Song–Beverly Act (Cal. Civ. Code §§ 1790, *et seq.*).

108. Defendant is a “merchant” with respect to the goods at issue here—the Product, a sunscreen lotion.

109. By placing the Product into the stream of commerce, Defendant made—and breached—at least two implied warranties.

110. First, to be merchantable, a product must conform to any written representations on its labels. Because the true SPF protection provided by the Product does not, in fact, comport with the advertised SPF protection provided by the Product, Defendant has breached an implied warranty of merchantability.

111. Second, to be merchantable, the Product must be fit for its intended purpose as a consumer sunscreen lotion. Because consumer sunscreens containing materially less SPF protection than represented are generally considered dangerous and unsuitable, consumer sunscreen represented as providing SPF 50 protection is not fit for its intended purposes if such sunscreen actually provides far less than SPF 50 protection (such as SPF 17 protection in the case of the Product). Defendant breached an implied warranty of merchantability by manufacturing, labeling, advertising, and promoting a product that it represented as providing SPF 50 protection but, in reality, provides only SPF 17 protection.

112. Defendant's breach of these implied warranties has caused Plaintiff Smith and members of the California Subclass to suffer injuries, pay for a falsely labeled Product, and enter into transactions that they would not have entered into at all or for the consideration paid. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's breach, Plaintiff Smith and members of the California Subclass have suffered damages and continue to suffer damages, including economic damages, in terms of the full price of the Product or, at the very least, the difference between the value of the product as promised and the value of the product as delivered.

SIXTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

Violation of Fla. Stat. § 501.201, *et seq.*

(By Plaintiff Fahey, Individually and on Behalf of the
Florida Subclass, Against Defendant)

113. Plaintiff Fahey repeats and incorporates paragraphs 1–60 as though fully set forth herein.

114. Plaintiff Fahey brings this claim individually and on behalf of the members of the Florida Subclass against Defendant under Florida's Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act, Fla. Stat. § 501.201, *et seq.* ("FDUTPA").

115. FDUTPA prohibits "unfair methods of competition, unconscionable acts or practices, and unfair or deceptive acts or practices in the conduct of any trade or commerce." Fla. Stat. § 501.204.

116. FDUTPA is intended "[t]o protect the consumer public and legitimate business enterprises from those who engage in unfair methods of competition, or unconscionable, deceptive, or unfair acts or practices in the conduct of any trade or commerce." *Id.* § 501.202.

117. Defendant's acts and practices, as alleged herein, were unfair, unconscionable, and deceptive under FDUTPA.

1 118. Defendant's conduct, as alleged herein, was "unfair or deceptive"
2 because, as alleged herein, Defendant produced, manufactured, labeled, distributed,
3 marketed, promoted, and advertised the Product to consumers throughout Florida as
4 providing materially greater protection against the sun's harmful rays than it actually
5 provides. In so doing, Defendant intentionally mislabeled and misbranded the
6 Product, deceptively and falsely advertised the Product, misrepresented and omitted
7 material facts regarding the Product, and otherwise engaged in activities that were
8 substantially injurious to consumers in Florida.

9 119. Defendant intended that consumers, like Plaintiff Fahey and the Florida
10 Subclass, rely upon its false, misleading, and deceptive representations that the
11 Product provides SPF protection of 50, as stated on the labels of the Product and in
12 advertising and promotional materials for the Product.

13 120. Defendant's misrepresentations that the Product provides SPF protection
14 of 50 deceived and induced reasonable consumers and the public in Florida, including
15 Plaintiff Fahey and the Florida Subclass members, into believing the Product has
16 greater filtration, absorption, and reflection capabilities against ultraviolet radiation
17 than other alternative products providing lower SPF protection than the Product was
18 represented to provide, causing them to justifiably rely on such misrepresentations in
19 deciding to purchase the Product.

20 121. Defendant's conduct, as alleged herein, has been and continues to be
21 substantially injurious to consumers in Florida.

22 122. No benefit to consumers or competition results from the unfair and
23 deceptive conduct alleged herein. Since consumers reasonably rely on Defendant's
24 representations that the Product provides SPF 50 protection, consumers could not have
25 reasonably avoided such injury.

1 123. Plaintiff Fahey and Florida Subclass members purchased the Product
2 without knowledge that Defendant's representations that the Product provides "SPF
3 50" protection were false.

4 124. Plaintiff Fahey and the Florida Subclass either would not have purchased
5 the Product at all or would not have paid nearly as much money for the Product had it
6 been labeled, marketed, and advertised with accurate, truthful representations
7 concerning the SPF protection that it provides.

8 125. By committing the acts alleged herein, Defendant engaged in
9 unconscionable, deceptive, or unfair acts or practices, which constitute unfair
10 competition within the meaning of FDUTPA.

11 126. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's breach, Plaintiff Fahey
12 and members of the Florida Subclass have suffered damages and continue to suffer
13 damages, including economic damages, in terms of the full price of the Product or, at
14 the very least, the difference between the value of the product as promised and the
15 value of the product as delivered.

16 SEVENTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

17 Fraud

18 (By Plaintiffs, Individually and on Behalf of the
19 California Subclass and Florida Subclass, Against Defendant)

20 127. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate paragraphs 1–60 as though fully set forth
21 herein.

22 128. Plaintiffs bring this claim individually and on behalf of the members of
23 the California Subclass and the Florida Subclass against Defendant under California
24 and Florida common law.

25 129. As alleged above, Defendant made false and misleading statements, and
26 omitted material facts, in representing to Plaintiffs, the California Subclass members,
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1 and the Florida Subclass members, that the SPF protection provided by the Product is
2 50.

3 130. The actual SPF protection provided by the Product that Plaintiffs,
4 California Subclass members, and Florida Subclass members purchased was far less
5 than the SPF protection that Defendant represented on the labeling of the Product and
6 in materials used to advertise, promote, and market the Product.

7 131. Defendant also failed to disclose that the Product did not, in fact, provide
8 SPF protection of 50.

9 132. Defendant knowingly and intentionally misrepresented the SPF
10 protection provided by the Product for the purpose of increasing its revenues and
11 maximizing its corporate profits.

12 133. Defendant made these misrepresentations and omissions with knowledge
13 of their falsehood.

14 134. Defendant's misrepresentations and omissions concerning the SPF
15 protection provided by the Product were intended to induce Plaintiffs, the California
16 Subclass members, and the Florida Subclass members to purchase the Product.

17 135. And as Defendant intended, its misrepresentations and omissions
18 concerning the SPF protection of the Product induced Plaintiffs, the California
19 Subclass members, and the Florida Subclass members to purchase the Product. In
20 purchasing the Product, Plaintiffs, the California Subclass members, and the Florida
21 Subclass members reasonably and justifiably relied on Defendant's misrepresentations
22 and omissions concerning the SPF protection provided by the Product.

23 136. Had Plaintiffs, the California Subclass members, and the Florida Subclass
24 members known that the Product provided SPF protection materially lower than the
25 SPF protection represented by Defendant on the Product's labeling, and in advertising
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1 and promotional materials for the Product, they either would not have purchased the
2 Product at all or would have paid significantly less for the Product than they did.

3 137. The fraudulent actions by Defendant, as alleged herein, caused
4 substantial harm to Plaintiffs, the California Subclass members, and the Florida
5 Subclass members, entitling them to monetary damages and other available legal and
6 equitable remedies.

7 **EIGHTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF**

8 **Negligent Misrepresentation**

9 (By Plaintiffs, Individually and on Behalf of the
10 California Subclass and the Florida Subclass, Against Defendant)

11 138. Plaintiffs repeat and incorporate paragraphs 1–60 as though fully set forth
12 herein.

13 139. Plaintiffs bring this claim individually and on behalf of the members of
14 the California Subclass and the Florida Subclass against Defendant under California
15 and Florida common law.

16 140. Defendant misrepresented a fact. It advertised that the Product provided
17 SPF protection of 50, when in fact the SPF protection provided by the Product is
18 materially lower.

19 141. There were no reasonable grounds for Defendant to believe that these
20 misrepresentations were true. As an experienced sunscreen manufacturer responsible
21 for testing the sunscreens that it labels, advertises, promotes, and markets, Defendant
22 should have known that the Product did not in fact provide an SPF protection of 50.

23 142. This misrepresentation was material. Consumers purchase sunscreens to
24 protect themselves and their loved ones from the dangerous effects of sun exposure.
25 Accordingly, the degree of sun protection as advertised on the Product was a
26 material—if not the sole—factor in Plaintiffs’ decision to purchase the Product. And
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1 this would be true of any reasonable consumer, including members of the California
2 Subclass and the Florida Subclass.

3 143. Defendant intended that consumers, like Plaintiffs and the California
4 Subclass members and the Florida Subclass members, rely on its representation that
5 the Product provided SPF protection of 50, as stated on the labels of the Product and
6 in advertising and promotional materials for the Product. As alleged herein, that
7 representation was designed solely for consumers, like Plaintiffs, the California
8 Subclass members, and the Florida Subclass members, who will ultimately purchase
9 and use the Product on themselves and their loved ones.

10 144. Plaintiffs' reliance on Defendant's representation that the Product
11 provided SPF protection of 50 was justifiable. Plaintiffs had no way of verifying this
12 representation before purchase, and consumers generally rely on the SPF stated on the
13 Product instead of paying the substantial costs to have the product tested by labs.

14 145. Plaintiffs were proximately damaged by Defendant's misrepresentations.
15 Had Plaintiffs known that Defendant's representations that the Product provided SPF
16 protection of 50 were false, Plaintiffs would not have paid as much as they did for the
17 Product, or they would not have purchased the Product at all.

18 146. Further, Defendant was in a "special relationship" with Plaintiffs, the
19 California Subclass members, and the Florida Subclass members, and thus owed them
20 a duty of care because:

21 a) The SPF misrepresentations Defendant made on the Product's labels
22 and in advertising and promotional materials for the Product were
23 intended solely to affect the purchasing decisions of consumers, like
24 Plaintiffs and the California Subclass members and the Florida Subclass
25 members, who will ultimately base their decision on these SPF claims
and who ultimately use the Product on themselves or their loved ones.

26 b) It was foreseeable that, by misrepresenting an SPF value as being
27 higher than it is, and charging a premium for that added protection,

1 Defendant would economically harm consumers by misleading them into
2 paying an unjustified premium for a sunscreen that lacked the advertised
3 protection.

4 c) This harm was certain.

5 d) Defendant's decision to label and advertise, market, and promote the
6 Product as providing SPF 50 protection was the close, proximate cause
7 of Plaintiffs' and the California Subclass members' and the Florida
8 Subclass members' deception and the fact that they were overcharged for
9 this product.

10 e) Misrepresenting the SPF of a sunscreen is egregious and immoral for
11 several reasons, the most obvious being that it leaves consumers
12 vulnerable to sunburn and heightens their risk of skin cancer by
13 misleading them into trusting inadequate sun protection from a lower
14 quality sunscreen. Charging a steep premium for a sunscreen that does
15 not actually protect people from the sun also immorally deprives these
16 consumers of money that they could have spent on more useful, necessary
17 items.

18 f) Holding sunscreen manufacturers accountable—to Plaintiffs, the
19 California Subclass members, the Florida Subclass members, and other
20 sunscreen consumers—for SPF misrepresentations would deter future
21 misrepresentations, with no perceivable drawbacks.

22 147. Accordingly, Plaintiffs seek damages on behalf of themselves, the
23 California Subclass members, and the Florida Subclass members in the full amount of
24 the Product or, at the very least, the amount of the overcharges they paid for the
25 Product.

26 **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

27 WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs, individually and on behalf of all others similarly
28 situated, seek a judgment against Defendant as follows:

1 A. For an order certifying the Classes under Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of
2 Civil Procedure and naming Plaintiffs as representatives of the Classes and Plaintiffs'
3 attorneys as Class Counsel to represent the Classes;

4 B. For an order finding in favor of Plaintiffs and the Classes and against
5 Defendant on all counts asserted herein;

6 C. For actual, compensatory, and/or punitive damages in amounts to be
7 determined by the Court and/or jury;

8 D. For prejudgment interest on all amounts awarded;

9 E. For an order of restitution and all other forms of equitable monetary
10 relief;

11 F. For injunctive relief as pleaded or as the Court may deem proper; and

12 G. For an order awarding punitive damages, reasonable attorneys' fees, and
13 costs to counsel for Plaintiffs and the Classes.

14 **DEMAND FOR TRIAL BY JURY**

15 Plaintiffs demand a trial by jury on all causes of action and issues so triable.

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17 Dated: August 29, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

18 /s/ Frank S. Hedin

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I. (a) PLAINTIFFS

ANDREA FAHEY; and KEVIN SMITH, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated

(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff Indian River County, FL
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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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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(d)

Brief description of cause:

Falsely representing the SPF value of a sunscreen product in violation of California and Florida law

VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:

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

DEMAND \$
\$5 million+

CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:

JURY DEMAND: ☒ Yes ☐ No

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