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oup 4	12	JOHN DOE C.S., an individual.	Case No.	: 25CHCV03232	
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	18	public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive.			
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	20	Defendants.			
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	25	COMES NOW, Plaintiff JOHN DOE C.S., ("Plaintiff") and hereby complains and			
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**COMPLAINT FOR DAMAGES (12101070)** 

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entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive ("Defendants"), as follows:

#### **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

- 1. The claims set forth herein arise from adults who suffered acts of childhood sexual assault at Holton Conservation Camp, located at 12653 Little Tujunga Canyon Rd, Sylmar, CA 91342, a juvenile camp, owned, operated, controlled, managed, maintained, inspected, patrolled, and oversaw by Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive. Plaintiff was a minor dependent of the Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, and placed at Holton Conservation Camp, a juvenile camp, for children during their pending court proceedings. While in the care and custody of Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, at Holton Conservation Camp, Plaintiff was subjected to various acts of childhood sexual assault, sexual abuse, sexual harassment and/or molestation. These acts of childhood sexual assault, sexual abuse, sexual harassment and/or molestation were committed by other minor dependents and witnessed and/or encouraged by currently unidentified staff members, including but not limited to, supervisors, teachers, counselor, nurses, physicians, officers, custodians, other staff members.
- 2. Plaintiff identified in this lawsuit was a victim of childhood sexual assault, sexual abuse, sexual harassment, molestation, and other misconduct, by Defendant DOES 1 through 100, and Plaintiff was a minor dependent under the age of eighteen, under the care, custody and control of Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public

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entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive.

- 3. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, failed to properly screen, hire, train and supervise the employees, agents and/or individuals under Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, control, that worked with, volunteered, and or were around the minor children at camps, including but not limited to, failing to perform and conduct criminal background checks on staff, officers, custodians, other staff members and/or other residents and/or dependents.
- 4. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, each owed a duty of care to supervise the minor children at camps, as well as supervise the employees, agents, and staff members who worked with, and around children at camps, including but not limited to, supervisors, teachers, counselors, nurses, physicians, officers, custodians, other staff members.
- 5. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that due to the complete lack of supervision by Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, were allowed to perpetrate acts of sexual assault, sexual abuse and/or molestation on Plaintiff.
- Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants LOS 6. ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and

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DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, knew or should have known about the acts of sexual assault
sexual abuse and/or molestation committed by defendant DOES 1 through 100, upon
Plaintiff, by way of multiple reports of sexual abuse of Plaintiff and other children under
their care at camps, and other evidence of sexual assault and sexual abuse of Plaintiff and
other children under their care at camps.

7. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that the supervisory employees of Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, knew or should have known that there was a failure of supervision, hiring and training of employees, agents, and staff working at camps.

Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that at all times herein,

Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, knew or should have known that it employed dangerous sexual predators at camps who were unfit, posed a risk of harm to minor children, and/or posed a risk of childhood sexual assault to minor children in Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive's care, custody and control. Specifically, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, knew or should have known, or were otherwise on notice, that it employed employees, agents and/or staff members at camps that had engaged and/or was engaging in misconduct that created the risk of childhood sexual assault and failed to take reasonable steps or to implement reasonable safeguards to avoid acts of childhood sexual assault by these staff members on minors, including Plaintiff.

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such conduct. Despite the authority and ability to do so, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, negligently and/or willfully refused to, and/or did not act effectively to stop the sexual assaults on Plaintiff, to inhibit or obstruct such assaults, or to protect Plaintiff from the results of that trauma. 11. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that during the period of sexual assaults perpetrated upon Plaintiff, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE

- DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, had the authority and the ability to obstruct or stop the employees, agents and/or staff members of camps' sexual abuse of Plaintiff, including the acts of Defendant DOES 1 through 100, but intentionally, negligently and/or willfully failed to do so, thereby allowing the assaults to occur and to continue unabated.
- 12. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that at all times herein, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, knew or should have known that Defendant DOES 1 through 100 were unfit, posed a risk of harm to minor children, and/or posed a risk of childhood sexual assault to minor children in Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive's, care, custody and control. Specifically, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, knew or should have known, or were otherwise on notice, that Defendant DOES 1 through 100, had engaged and/or were engaging in misconduct that created the risk of

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childhood sexual assault and failed to take reasonable steps or to implement reasonable safeguards to avoid acts of childhood sexual assault by Defendant DOES 1 through 100, on minors, including Plaintiff.

13. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that at all relevant times, Plaintiff and other children housed at camps were dependent on Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, for all their basic needs, including but limited to, food, shelter, clothing, toileting, medical treatment and care. At all relevant times, Plaintiff and the other children housed at camps were not allowed to leave camps and were confined to camps by Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive.

## **PARTIES**

- 14. At all times relevant herein, plaintiff JOHN DOE C.S. was a resident of Los Angeles County and a dependent child of Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive. This action is governed by Code of Civil Procedure § 340.1 because JOHN DOE C.S. is an adult who was a victim of childhood sexual assault. JOHN DOE C.S. is under the age of forty (40) years at the time of this filing, as such a certificate of merit is not required Pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure §340.1(g)(2).
- At all times relevant herein, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, were governmental entities duly organized and existing under and by the virtue of the laws of the

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- At all times relevant herein, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, were and are public entities.
- 17. At all times relevant herein, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, owned, operated, controlled, managed, maintained, inspected, patrolled, and oversaw camps.
- 18. At all times relevant herein, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, were responsible for the hiring, retention and supervision of all employees, agents, staff, and volunteers at camps, including but not limited to, teachers, counselors, supervisory staff, volunteers, officers, custodians, other staff members and all medical staff. Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, were also responsible for supervising and caring for the needs of all the minor children residing at camps.
- 19. Defendants DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, were agents and/or employees of Defendants Los Angeles County, a public entity, inclusive, and were at all times relevant hereon, acting in the course and scope of their employment and/or agency with Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive.

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- 21. Plaintiff is ignorant of the true names and capacities of those defendants sued herein as DOES 1 through 100 and for that reason has sued such Defendants under fictitious names. Plaintiff will seek leave of the Court to amend this Complaint to identify the DOE Defendants when their identities have been ascertained. Each of the fictitiously named DOE Defendants was in some manner liable and legally responsible for the harm sustained by Plaintiff in that their conduct caused the damages and injuries set forth herein.
- 22. Whenever this Complaint makes reference to any act of Defendants, such allegations shall be deemed to mean all named Defendants, or their officers, managers, representatives, employees, agents, heirs, and/or assignees, who did or authorized such acts while actively engaging in the operation, management, direction, or control of the affairs of Defendants while acting within the course and scope of their duties, except as specifically alleged to the contrary.
- 23. Each of the Defendants designated herein as DOE is responsible, in some manner, for the events and happenings herein referred to, thereby legally causing the injuries and damages to Plaintiff, as herein alleged.
- 24. At all times relevant to this Complaint, Defendants were the knowing agents, joint venturers and/or alter egos of one another, and of their co-defendants and were acting within the course and scope of their employment, agency, joint venturer, and/or alter ego relationship, and Defendants directed, ratified, and/or approved each other's conduct and that of each other's agents or employees. Defendants agreed upon, approved, or ratified each other's conduct, or otherwise conspired together to commit all of the acts and/or omissions alleged herein.

#### **JURISDICTION & VENUE**

25. This Court has jurisdiction over all causes of actions asserted in this complaint pursuant to the California Constitutional Article VI, section 10, California Code of Civil

Procedure section 410.10, because no cause of action contained herein is given by statute to other trial courts and the amount in controversy exceeds \$25,000.00

26. Venue in this Court is proper pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure sections 393, 394, and 395, because Defendants in this action are public agencies situated in Los Angeles County and, on information and belief, all of the acts or omissions complained of in this Complaint took place in Los Angeles County.

# CHILDHOOD SEXUAL ASSAULT, ABUSE AND/OR MOLESTATION SUFFERED

# **BY PLAINTIFF**

- 27. At all times relevant herein, Plaintiff was subjected to acts of childhood sexual assault, harassment, abuse, and/or molestation by Defendant DOES 1 through 100, and constitute childhood sexual assault within the definition of Code of Civil Procedure §340.1(d). These acts of childhood sexual assault, harassment, abuse and/or molestation resulted in the personal physical injury, as well as emotional, psychological, and psychiatric injury and damage to Plaintiff.
- 28. Plaintiff JOHN DOE C.S. was placed at Holton Conservation Camp and was physically assaulted, sexually harassed and abused by staff.

# **STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS**

29. Pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure §340.1(a) as amended and made effective January 1, 2023, the statute of limitations has increased to 22 years after Plaintiff reaches the age of 18 (40 years of age) during which time the Plaintiff must assert his/her claim or 5 years after Plaintiff discovers or reasonably should have discovered the resulting psychological injury or illness (delayed discovery) whichever is later. Plaintiff herein was under the age of 40 years old when this action was filed.

# **EXHAUSTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES**

30. Government Code §905(m) specifically exempts Plaintiff claims of childhood sexual abuse from the requirement of filing a government tort claim.

## FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

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NEGLIGENCE – Pursuant to Government Code Sections 815.2 and 820, et seq. (By all Plaintiff Against Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND **REHABILITATION**, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- 31. Plaintiff incorporates by reference as fully set forth herein each and every fact, claim, and allegation contained in the prior paragraphs.
- 32. Pursuant to Government Code section 815.2 Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, are liable for acts and omissions committed by their employees in the scope of their employment. Additionally, pursuant to Government Code section 820(a), public employees, including DOES 1 through 100, are liable for injuries caused by their acts or omissions to the same extent as a private person.
- 33. At all relevant times, Plaintiff was a dependent minor under the care and custody of Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive. At this time, Plaintiff was under the custody, care, supervision, and control of Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, for the purpose of providing care, supervision, and control of the minor's health, welfare, safety, and care. At such time, the rights, duties, and responsibilities of Plaintiff's parents and/or guardians were suspended, and such duties and obligations were assumed by the Defendants, and such individuals or entities to which it delegated such duties including but not limited to Defendants DOES 1 through 100.
- 34. At all times relevant herein, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

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AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, acting through their agents and/or their supervisory employees, had the duty to properly hire, train, supervise, and investigate their employees, staff members, teachers, counselors, medical staff, officers, custodians, other staff members and/or other residents and/or dependents at camps, including DOES 1 through 100, and to protect their dependent children residents from harm caused by unfit and dangerous employees, staff members, teachers, counselors, officers, custodians, other staff members and/or other residents and/or dependents at camps, including Defendant DOES 1 through 100.

35. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that at all times herein, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, knew or should have known that it employed and/or housed dangerous sexual predators at camps who were unfit, posed a risk of harm to minor children, and/or posed a risk of childhood sexual assault to minor children in Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, care, custody, and control, including Defendant DOES 1 through 100. Specifically, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, knew or should have known, or were otherwise on notice, that it employed staff members, including Defendant DOES 1 through 100, at camps that had engaged and/or was engaging in misconduct that created the risk of childhood sexual assault and failed to take reasonable steps or to implement reasonable safeguards to avoid acts of childhood sexual assault by these staff members and other residents and/or dependents on minors, including Plaintiff.

ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA			
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and			
DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, the staff members of camps were placed into positions of			
guardianship and legal authority over Plaintiff. As a result, there was a special, trusting, and			
fiduciary relationship between Plaintiff and camps staff, as well as between Defendants LOS			
ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA			
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and			
DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, and Plaintiff. Through this relationship with Plaintiff,			
Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity;			
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public			
entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, stood in loco parentis with Plaintiff. Specifically,			
Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity;			
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public			
entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, took Plaintiff into its custody, care, and control			
as wards of the state, which conferred upon Plaintiff the reasonable belief that Plaintiff, a			
minor, would be protected and cared for, as if Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE			
DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS			
AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, were			
Plaintiff's own parents.			
37. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants LOS			
ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA			
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and			
DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, knew or should have known of the staff members wrongful			
conduct at or about the time it was occurring, and thereafter, but took no action to obstruct,			
inhibit or stop such continuing conduct, or to help Plaintiff endure the trauma from such			
conduct. Despite the authority and ability to do so, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY			
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38. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that at all times herein, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, knew or should have known that it employed dangerous sexual predators who were unfit, posed a risk of harm to minor children, and/or posed a risk of childhood sexual assault to minor children in Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive's care, custody, and control, including Defendant DOES 1 through 100. Specifically, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, knew or should have known, or were otherwise on notice, that it employed staff members, including Defendant DOES 1 through 100, that had engaged and/or was engaging in misconduct that created the risk of childhood sexual assault and failed to take reasonable steps or to implement reasonable safeguards to avoid acts of childhood sexual assault by these staff members on minors, including Plaintiff. 39. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that all relevant times herein, as employees, representatives, servants, agents, and/or volunteers of Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, the staff members were placed into positions of guardianship and legal authority over Plaintiff. As a result, there was a special, trusting, and fiduciary relationship between Plaintiff and staff, as well as between Defendants LOS ANGELES

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DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, including their officers, custodians, other staff members and/or other residents and/or dependents, knew of the serious complaints of sexual misconduct perpetrated by their employees, agents, officers, custodians, other staff members and/or other residents and/or dependents, including DOES 1 through 100, who were employed and/or volunteer at camps and responsible for the care of the minor children living camps, including Plaintiff.

- 42. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, failed to properly and adequately investigate the serious complaints of sexual misconduct and failed to take appropriate disciplinary action against the accused perpetrators, including Defendant DOES 1 through 100.
- 43. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that complaints of sexual misconduct were made against employees and agents, including Defendant DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, prior to the abuse of Plaintiff.
- 44. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that during the period of sexual assaults perpetrated upon Plaintiff, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, had the authority and the ability to obstruct or stop the employees, staff members, teachers, counselors, medical staff, officers, custodians, other staff members and/or other residents and/or dependents sexual abuse of Plaintiff, but intentionally, negligently and/or willfully failed to do so, thereby allowing the assault to occur and to continue unabated.
- 45. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and

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	DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, acts, omissions, and/or failure to set up adequate safeguard
	allowed the sexual abuse of Plaintiff to occur and/or continue. Plaintiff is further informed
	and believes, and thereon alleges, that Plaintiff would not have faced any sexual abuse if
	Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity;
	CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public
	entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, inclusive, had fulfilled their duties and
	responsibilities, and/or provided adequate protection and safety.
	46. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants LOS
	ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA
	DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and
	DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, breached their mandatory duty to Plaintiff by failing to
	properly and adequately hire, train, supervise and investigate Defendant DOES 1 through
	100, and other employees and/or agents responsible for, and charged with, the care of
	dependent children, including Plaintiff.
	47. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that had Defendants LOS
	ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA
	DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and
	DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, acting through their agents and supervisory employees,
	properly and adequately supervised, trained, monitored, and investigated the conduct and
	actions of Defendant DOES 1 through 100, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE
	DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
	AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, would have
	known and/or discovered that Defendant DOES 1 through 100 were unfit to be employed

Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that as a result of Defendants 48. LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and

and/or volunteer and have access to minor children.

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- 49. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, inclusive, through their agents and administrators, negligently hired, supervised, retained, monitored, observed, and investigated Defendant DOES 1 through 100, and negligently failed to ensure the safety of the minor children entrusted to their custody, care, and control, including Plaintiff.
- 50. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, negligently failed to implement or enforce any procedures, policies, rules, regulations and/or safeguards that were for the purpose of preventing, deterring, and/or detecting sexual abuse, sexual assault and/or molestation of minor children by employees and/or volunteers, including Defendant DOES 1 through 100.
- 51. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that had Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, adequately and properly hired, trained, oversaw, supervised and investigated Defendant DOES 1 through 100, and had Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, adequately and properly implemented and/or enforced policies, procedures, rules and regulations for the purpose of preventing, detecting and/or deterring sexual abuse, sexual

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assault and/or sexual molestation, and had Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, fulfilled their duties and responsibilities, and/or provided adequate protection and safety, Plaintiff would not have been subject to the sexual abuse, sexual assault and/or sexual molestation inflicted upon him by Defendant DOES 1 through 100.

- 52. Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive's negligence was a substantial factor in causing Plaintiff's harm.
- 53. As a direct and legal result of the acts and omissions of Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, Plaintiff suffered psychological, mental, and/or emotional injuries, including economic and non-economic damages in an amount to be determined at the time of trial, subject to proof at the time of trial, and that exceed the jurisdictional limits of this Court.
- 54. As a direct and proximate result of the childhood sexual assault, harassment and abuse committed against Plaintiff by Defendant DOES 1 through 100 and other staff members and/or officers, custodians, other staff members and/or other residents and/or dependents, which was enabled and facilitated by Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, Plaintiff has suffered personal physical injury of sexual assault, and have and will continue to suffer, psychological, mental and emotional distress, including economic and non-economic damages in an amounts to be determined at the time of trial, subject to proof at the time of trial, and that exceed the jurisdictional limits of this Court.

#### SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

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#### BREACH OF MANDATORY DUTIES

(By Plaintiff Against Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND **REHABILITATION**, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- 55. Plaintiff repeats, re-alleges, and incorporates herein by reference all prior paragraphs, as though fully set forth herein.
- 56. Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, were obligated by constitutional provisions, statutes, and/or regulations to document, report, and subsequently inform others, about Plaintiff's childhood sexual abuse.
- 57. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, that Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, knew and/or had sufficient reason to believe that Plaintiff was being sexually abused.
- 58. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, refused and/or failed to take appropriate action to investigate and stop the sexual abuse. Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, did not report the information and they did not inform others about the known dangers and/or sexual abuse that Plaintiff was suffering. 59. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100,

inclusive, violated and/or breached mandatory and nondelegable duties. This includes,		
mandatory and nondelegable duties aimed at the protection and safety of children under the		
care, custody and control of Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT		
a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND		
REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, which include, but		
is not limited to, those set forth regulations in the California Department of Social Services		
(CDSS) Manual of Policies and Procedures (MPP) established pursuant to Welfare &		
Institutions Code Section 165101, and set forth in the California Penal Code, including but		
not limited to, Section 1311164, et seq.		
60. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, Defendants LOS ANGELES		
COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF		
CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100,		
inclusive, failed to adhere to and/or fulfill these mandatory duties put in place for the		
protection and safety of children under the care, custody and control of Defendants LOS		
ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA		
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and		
DOES 1 through 100, inclusive.		
61. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, Defendants LOS ANGELES		
COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF		
CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100,		
inclusive, did not comply with these duties. They failed to report Plaintiff's sexual abuse,		
failed to report Plaintiff's sexual abuse to law enforcement, and failed to set up safeguards		
and/or act to remove Plaintiff from the environment of abuse once Defendants LOS		

ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA

DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, had notice of the sexual abuse.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and

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62. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, Defendants LOS ANG	ELES
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CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 10	00,
inclusive, failed to diligently discharge their duties and obligations to protect and keep	)
children safe that are under their care, custody and control, and that failure was a subs	tantia
factor and/or direct proximate cause of severe injuries caused to Plaintiff. Had Defend	lants
LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA	
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and	d
DOES 1 through 100, inclusive complied with and/or fulfilled their mandatory obliga-	tions,
Plaintiff's sexual abuse would not have occurred and/or would have ended earlier. The	e case
reviews, reporting, and disclosures were protections and safeguards meant to protect a	ıgains
the exact type of harm Plaintiff suffered.	

63. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and thereon alleges, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, acts and/or omissions were the proximate, legal causes of the damages sustained by Plaintiff, and Plaintiff has suffered psychological, mental, and/or emotional injuries, including economic and non-economic damages in an amount to be determined at the time of trial, subject to proof at the time of trial, and that exceed the jurisdictional limits of this Court.

#### THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

#### INTENTIONAL INFLICTION OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS

#### (By Plaintiff Against DOES 1 through 100, inclusive)

- Plaintiff repeats, re-alleges, and incorporates herein by reference all prior paragraphs, as though fully set forth herein.
- 65. At the time of the incidents described above, Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF

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CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, the employees, agents and/or staff members' conduct as alleged herein was beyond the bounds of decency accepted within society and was intentional, outrageous, malicious, and committed for the purpose of causing Plaintiff to suffer humiliation, embarrassment, mental anguish, and/or severe physical and/or emotional distress, or done in reckless disregard of the probability of causing Plaintiff to suffer humiliation, embarrassment, mental anguish, and/or severe physical and/or emotional distress.

- 66. Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, the employees, agents and/or staff members, were in a position of authority, trust, influence, and persuasion over Plaintiff and responsible for maintaining a special relationship.
- 67. Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, the employees, agents and/or staff members' abuse of Plaintiff was an abuse of their authority as an employee, agent, staff, and officers, custodians, other staff members, including but not limited to, teachers, counselors, supervisory staff, volunteers, officers, custodians, other staff members and all medical staff of Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive and performed while in the course and scope of their employment.
- Plaintiff's trust in Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, the employees, agents and/or staff members for Plaintiff's safety and wellbeing, turned to fear and intimidation by virtue of Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a

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public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, the employees, agents and/or staff members' conduct.

- 69. Plaintiff contends that said misconduct was authorized, ratified, adopted and/or approved of by Defendants LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive.
- 70. The conduct of Defendants DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, as alleged herein was beyond the bounds of decency accepted within society and was intentional, outrageous, malicious, and committed for the purpose of causing Plaintiff to suffer humiliation, embarrassment, mental anguish, and/or severe physical and/or emotional distress, or done in reckless disregard of the probability of causing Plaintiff to suffer humiliation, embarrassment, mental anguish, and/or severe physical and/or emotional distress.
- 71. As a direct and proximate result of the conduct as herein alleged, Plaintiff has suffered great mental pain, embarrassment, humiliation, distress, anguish, and suffering, all to his damages in an amount according to proof at trial.
- 72. The conduct of Defendants DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, described herein was intentional and malicious and done for the purpose of causing, or with the substantial certainty that such conduct would cause Plaintiff to suffer humiliation, mental anguish, and emotional and physical distress.
- 73. Defendants DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, acted willfully and maliciously with the intent to harm Plaintiff, and in conscious disregard of Plaintiff's rights, so as to constitute malice and/or oppression under California Civil Code § 3294 thereby entitling them to punitive damages according to proof.

#### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a				
ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, a public entity; CALIFORNIA				
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION, a public entity; and				
DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, as follows:				
1. For past, present, and future general damages in an amount to be determined at trial				
2. For past, present, and future special damages, including but not limited to past,				
present and future lost earnings, economic damages, and others, in an amount to be				
determined at trial;				
3. Any appropriate statutory damages, including treble damages and attorneys' fees;				
4. Punitive damages				
5. For costs of suit;				
6. For pre- and post-judgment interest as allowed by law;				
7. For attorney's fees pursuant to the aforem	7. For attorney's fees pursuant to the aforementioned statutes and otherwise allowable			
by law:				
a. California Code of Civil Procedure § 102	a. California Code of Civil Procedure § 1021.5;			
b. California Code of Civil Procedure § 102	1.4;			
c. California Civil Code §52;				
8. For such other and further relief as the co	urt may deem proper.			
DATED: September 9, 2025	DOWNTOWN L.A. LAW GROUP			
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-	Jordan Duncan-Smith, Esq.			
	Attorney for Plaintiff, JOHN DOE C.S.			
DEMAND FOR J	IURY TRIAL			
Plaintiff demands trial by jury of all issues so triable.				
	DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, as follows:  1. For past, present, and future general dama 2. For past, present, and future special dama present and future lost earnings, economic damage determined at trial;  3. Any appropriate statutory damages, inclu 4. Punitive damages  5. For costs of suit;  6. For pre- and post-judgment interest as all 7. For attorney's fees pursuant to the aforem by law:  a. California Code of Civil Procedure § 102 b. California Code of Civil Procedure § 102 c. California Civil Code §52;  8. For such other and further relief as the co DATED: September 9, 2025			

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