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10	SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA	
11	COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES	
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14	PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,	Case No. NA119080
15	Plaintiff,	FIRST AMENDED FELONY COMPLAINT
16	v.	
17	EYAL DAHAN (DOB:	
18	Defendant.	
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20	The Attorney General of the State of California, through Deputy Attorney General Vikran	
21	Mandla, by this complaint, accuses defendant EYAL DAHAN of the following crimes which are	
22	connected to each other in their commission:	
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24	COUNT ONE	
25	[COUNTERFEIT OF REGISTERED TRADEMARK]	
26	On or about October 10, 2018, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California,	
27	defendant EYAL DAHAN, without the consent of the registrant, knowingly possessed for sale, a	
28	counterfeit of a mark registered with the Secretary of State and registered on the Principal	
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FIRST AMENDED FELONY COMPLAINT - EYAL DAHAN (NA119080)

1	Register of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, in violation of Penal Code section	
2	350(a)(2), a felony , to wit: Items displaying trademarks owned by Van Doren Rubber Company,	
3	Inc.	
4	It is further alleged that the retail or fair market value of the counterfeit items referenced	
5	herein is over \$950.	
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7	COUNT TWO	
8	[COUNTERFEIT OF REGISTERED TRADEMARK]	
9	On or about October 10, 2018, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California,	
10	defendant EYAL DAHAN, without the consent of the registrant, knowingly possessed for sale, a	
11	counterfeit of a mark registered with the Secretary of State and registered on the Principal	
12	Register of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, in violation of Penal Code section	
13	350(a)(2), a felony , to wit: Items displaying trademarks owned by Columbia Sportswear	
14	Company.	
15	It is further alleged that the retail or fair market value of the counterfeit items referenced	
16	herein is over \$950.	
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18	COUNT THREE	
19	[COUNTERFEIT OF REGISTERED TRADEMARK]	
20	On or about October 10, 2018, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California,	
21	defendant EYAL DAHAN, without the consent of the registrant, knowingly possessed for sale, a	
22	counterfeit of a mark registered with the Secretary of State and registered on the Principal	
23	Register of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, in violation of Penal Code section	
24	350(a)(2), a felony, to wit: Items displaying trademarks owned by Adidas AG, Adidas	
25	Sportschuhfabriken Adi Dassler KG, Adidas International B.V., and Adidas-Salomon AG.	
26	It is further alleged that the retail or fair market value of the counterfeit items referenced	
27	herein is over \$950.	

1 **COUNT FOUR** 2 [FALSE PAYROLL TAX RETURN] On or about April 30, 2016, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, 3 defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required by law, to file any return or report, or to 4 5 supply any information, for account number did willfully make, render, sign or 6 verify a false or fraudulent return, report, or statement for the period January 1, 2016 through 7 March 31, 2016, with the intent to evade tax, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code 8 section 2117.5, a **felony**, to wit: Payroll tax return for Cavalier Closeouts. Inc. 9 10 **COUNT FIVE** 11 [FAILURE TO PAY TAX] On or about April 30, 2016, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, 12 13 defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required to collect, account for, and pay over any tax or amount required to be withheld, for account number did willfully fail to collect or 14 15 truthfully account for, and pay over the tax or amount required to be withheld, for the period January 1, 2016 through March 31, 2016, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 16 17 2118.5, a **felony**, to wit: Payroll taxes for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc. 18 19 **COUNT SIX** 20 [FALSE PAYROLL TAX RETURN] 21 On or about July 31, 2016, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, 22 defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required by law, to file any return or report, or to 23 supply any information, for account number did willfully make, render, sign or verify a false or fraudulent return, report, or statement for the period April 1, 2016 through June 24 30, 2016, with the intent to evade tax, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 25 26 2117.5, a felony, to wit: Payroll tax return for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc.

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1 **COUNT SEVEN** 2 [FAILURE TO PAY TAX] 3 On or about July 31, 2016, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required to collect, account for, and pay over any tax 4 or amount required to be withheld, for account number did willfully fail to collect or 5 truthfully account for, and pay over the tax or amount required to be withheld, for the period 6 April 1, 2016 through June 3, 2016, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 7 8 2118.5, a felony, to wit: Payroll taxes for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc. 9 10 **COUNT EIGHT** 11 [FALSE PAYROLL TAX RETURN] On or about October 31, 2016, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, 12 defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required by law, to file any return or report, or to 13 supply any information, for account number _____, did willfully make, render, sign or 14 verify a false or fraudulent return, report, or statement for the period July 1, 2016 through 15 September 30, 2016, with the intent to evade tax, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code 16 17 section 2117.5, a felony, to wit: Payroll tax return for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc. 18 19 COUNT NINE 20 [FAILURE TO PAY TAX] 21 On or about October 31, 2016, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required to collect, account for, and pay over any tax 22 or amount required to be withheld, for account number did willfully fail to collect or 23 truthfully account for, and pay over the tax or amount required to be withheld, for the period July 24 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 25 2118.5, a felony, to wit: Payroll taxes for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc. 26 27 11

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1 COUNT TEN 2 [FALSE PAYROLL TAX RETURN] 3 On or about January 31, 2017, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California. 4 defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required by law, to file any return or report, or to supply any information, for account number and a did willfully make, render, sign or 5 verify a false or fraudulent return, report, or statement for the period October 1, 2016 through 6 7 December 31, 2016, with the intent to evade tax, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code 8 section 2117.5, a **felony**, to wit: Payroll tax return for Cavalier Closeouts. Inc. 9 10 COUNT ELEVEN 11 [FAILURE TO PAY TAX] 12 On or about January 31, 2017, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required to collect, account for, and pay over any tax 13 or amount required to be withheld, for account number did willfully fail to collect or 14 truthfully account for, and pay over the tax or amount required to be withheld, for the period 15 16 October 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code 17 section 2118.5, a felony, to wit: Payroll taxes for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc. 18 19 COUNT TWELVE 20 [FALSE PAYROLL TAX RETURN] 21. On or about April 30, 2017, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required by law, to file any return or report, or to 22 supply any information, for account number did willfully make, render, sign or 23 24 verify a false or fraudulent return, report, or statement for the period January 1, 2017 through 25 March 31, 2017, with the intent to evade tax, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 2117.5, a felony, to wit: Payroll tax return for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc. 26

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1 COUNT THIRTEEN 2 **FAILURE TO PAY TAX** On or about April 30, 2017, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, 3 defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required to collect, account for, and pay over any tax 4 5 or amount required to be withheld, for account number did willfully fail to collect or 6 truthfully account for, and pay over the tax or amount required to be withheld, for the period January 1, 2017 through March 31, 2017, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 7 2118.5, a felony, to wit: Payroll taxes for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc. 9 10 COUNT FOURTEEN 11 [FALSE PAYROLL TAX RETURN] 12 On or about July 31, 2017, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, 13 defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required by law, to file any return or report, or to 14 supply any information, for account number was also did willfully make, render, sign or verify a false or fraudulent return, report, or statement for the period April 1, 2017 through June 15 30, 2017, with the intent to evade tax, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 16 2117.5, a felony, to wit: Payroll tax return for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc. 17 18 19 COUNT FIFTEEN 20 [FAILURE TO PAY TAX] On or about July 31, 2017, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, 21 22 defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required to collect, account for, and pay over any tax 23 or amount required to be withheld, for account number distribution, did willfully fail to collect or truthfully account for, and pay over the tax or amount required to be withheld, for the period 24 April 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 25

2118.5, a felony, to wit: Payroll taxes for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc.

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COUNT SIXTEEN

[FALSE PAYROLL TAX RETURN]

On or about October 31, 2017, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California. defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required by law, to file any return or report, or to supply any information, for account number did willfully make, render, sign or verify a false or fraudulent return, report, or statement for the period July 1, 2017 through September 30, 2017, with the intent to evade tax, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 2117.5, a **felony**, to wit: Payroll tax return for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc.

COUNT SEVENTEEN

[FAILURE TO PAY TAX]

On or about October 31, 2017, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California. defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required to collect, account for, and pay over any tax or amount required to be withheld, for account number did willfully fail to collect or truthfully account for, and pay over the tax or amount required to be withheld, for the period July 1, 2017 through September 30, 2017, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 2118.5, a **felony**, to wit: Payroll taxes for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc.

COUNT EIGHTEEN

[FALSE PAYROLL TAX RETURN]

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On or about January 31, 2018, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required by law, to file any return or report, or to supply any information, for account number distributed, did willfully make, render, sign or verify a false or fraudulent return, report, or statement for the period October 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017, with the intent to evade tax, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 2117.5, a **felony**, to wit: Payroll tax return for Cavalier Closeouts. Inc.

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1 COUNT NINETEEN 2 [FAILURE TO PAY TAX] 3 On or about January 31, 2018, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required to collect, account for, and pay over any tax 4 5 or amount required to be withheld, for account number did willfully fail to collect or 6 truthfully account for, and pay over the tax or amount required to be withheld, for the period 7 October 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code 8 section 2118.5, a felony, to wit: Payroll taxes for Cavalier Closeouts. Inc. 9 10 **COUNT TWENTY** 11 [FALSE PAYROLL TAX RETURN] On or about April 30, 2018, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, 12 defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required by law, to file any return or report, or to 13 14 supply any information, for account number was also did willfully make, render, sign or verify a false or fraudulent return, report, or statement for the period January 1, 2018 through 15 March 31, 2018, with the intent to evade tax, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code 16 17 section 2117.5, a felony, to wit: Payroll tax return for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc. 18 19 **COUNT TWENTY-ONE** 20 [FAILURE TO PAY TAX] 21 On or about April 30, 2018, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, 22 defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required to collect, account for, and pay over any tax 23 or amount required to be withheld, for account number and a did willfully fail to collect or 24 truthfully account for, and pay over the tax or amount required to be withheld, for the period January 1, 2018 through March 31, 2018, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 25 26 2118.5, a **felony**, to wit: Payroll taxes for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc. 27 H28 //

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COUNT TWENTY-TWO

[FALSE PAYROLL TAX RETURN]

On or about July 31, 2018, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required by law, to file any return or report, or to supply any information, for account number did did willfully make, render, sign or verify a false or fraudulent return, report, or statement for the period April 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018, with the intent to evade tax, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 2117.5, a **felony**, to wit: Payroll tax return for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc.

COUNT TWENTY-THREE

[FAILURE TO PAY TAX]

On or about July 31, 2018, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required to collect, account for, and pay over any tax or amount required to be withheld, for account number did willfully fail to collect or truthfully account for, and pay over the tax or amount required to be withheld, for the period April 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 2118.5, a **felony**, to wit: Payroll taxes for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc.

COUNT TWENTY-FOUR

[FALSE PAYROLL TAX RETURN]

On or about October 31, 2018, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required by law, to file any return or report, or to supply any information, for account number distributed, did willfully make, render, sign or verify a false or fraudulent return, report, or statement for the period July 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018, with the intent to evade tax, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 2117.5, a **felony**, to wit: Payroll tax return for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc.

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1 **COUNT TWENTY-FIVE** 2 [FAILURE TO PAY TAX] On or about October 31, 2018, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, 3 4 defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required to collect, account for, and pay over any tax 5 or amount required to be withheld, for account number did willfully fail to collect or truthfully account for, and pay over the tax or amount required to be withheld, for the period July 6 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 7 8 2118.5, a **felony**, to wit: Payroll taxes for Cavalier Closeouts. Inc. 9 10 **COUNT TWENTY-SIX** 11 [FALSE PAYROLL TAX RETURN] On or about January 31, 2019, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, 12 13 defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required by law, to file any return or report, or to supply any information, for account number did willfully make, render, sign or 14 verify a false or fraudulent return, report, or statement for the period October 1, 2018 through 15 16 December 31, 2018, with the intent to evade tax, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 2117.5, a felony, to wit: Payroll tax return for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc. 17 18 19 **COUNT TWENTY-SEVEN** 20 [FAILURE TO PAY TAX] 21 On or about January 31, 2019, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required to collect, account for, and pay over any tax 22 or amount required to be withheld, for account number distribution, did willfully fail to collect or 23 truthfully account for, and pay over the tax or amount required to be withheld, for the period 24 October 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code 25 section 2118.5, a felony, to wit: Payroll taxes for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc. 26

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1 COUNT TWENTY-EIGHT 2 [FALSE PAYROLL TAX RETURN] 3 On or about April 30, 2019, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required by law, to file any return or report, or to 4 supply any information, for account number _____, did willfully make, render, sign or 5. verify a false or fraudulent return, report, or statement for the period January 1, 2019 through 6 March 31, 2019, with the intent to evade tax, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code 7 8 section 2117.5, a felony, to wit: Payroll tax return for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc. 9 10 **COUNT TWENTY-NINE** 11 [FAILURE TO PAY TAX] On or about April 30, 2019, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, 12 defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required to collect, account for, and pay over any tax 13 or amount required to be withheld, for account number _____, did willfully fail to collect or 14 truthfully account for, and pay over the tax or amount required to be withheld, for the period 15 January 1, 2019 through March 31, 2019, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 16 17 2118.5, a felony, to wit: Payroll taxes for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc. 18 19 **COUNT THIRTY** 20 [FALSE PAYROLL TAX RETURN] 21 On or about July 31, 2019, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, 22 defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required by law, to file any return or report, or to supply any information, for account number distributed, did willfully make, render, sign or 23 24 verify a false or fraudulent return, report, or statement for the period April 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019, with the intent to evade tax, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 25 2117.5, a felony, to wit: Payroll tax return for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc. 26 27]/

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COUNT THIRTY-ONE

[FAILURE TO PAY TAX]

On or about July 31, 2019, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, defendant EYAL DAHAN, being a person required to collect, account for, and pay over any tax or amount required to be withheld, for account number distributed, did willfully fail to collect or truthfully account for, and pay over the tax or amount required to be withheld, for the period April 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019, in violation of Unemployment Insurance Code section 2118.5, a **felony**, to wit: Payroll taxes for Cavalier Closeouts, Inc.

COUNT THIRTY-TWO

[COUNTERFEIT OF REGISTERED TRADEMARK]

On or about March 21, 2019, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, defendant EYAL DAHAN, without the consent of the registrant, knowingly sold a counterfeit of a mark registered with the Secretary of State and registered on the Principal Register of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, in violation of Penal Code section 350(a)(2), a felony, to wit: Items displaying trademarks owned by Lululemon Athletica Canada, Inc.

It is further alleged that the retail or fair market value of the counterfeit items referenced herein is over \$950.

COUNT THIRTY-THREE

[COUNTERFEIT OF REGISTERED TRADEMARK]

On or about August 23, 2018, at and in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, defendant EYAL DAHAN, without the consent of the registrant, knowingly sold a counterfeit of a mark registered with the Secretary of State and registered on the Principal Register of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, in violation of Penal Code section 350(a)(2), a felony, to wit: Items displaying trademarks owned by Columbia Sportswear Company.

It is further alleged that the retail or fair market value of the counterfeit items referenced herein is over \$950.

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SPECIAL ALLEGATION ONE

[WHITE COLLAR CRIME ENHANCEMENT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000]

It is further alleged, pursuant to Penal Code Section 186.11(a)(1), that the offenses set forth in Counts One through Thirty-Three are related felonies, a material element of which is fraud, which involve a pattern of related felony conduct, and the pattern of related felony conduct involves the taking of more than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).

NOTICE: A conviction of this offense excludes the defendant from a sentence of imprisonment in the county jail pursuant to Penal Code section 1170(h).

SPECIAL ALLEGATION TWO

[STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS – DISCOVERY WITHIN FOUR YEARS]

It is alleged pursuant to Penal Code section 801.5, that prosecution for the offenses alleged in Counts One through Three, Thirty-Two and Thirty-Three, is four years after the discovery of the commission of the offense. It is alleged pursuant to Penal Code section 803(c), that the offenses set forth in Counts One through Three were not discovered until at least October 10, 2018, when the California Department of Justice, along with other state and federal law enforcement agencies executed a search warrant at multiple locations linked to the defendant. It was during the executions of the search warrants that law enforcement discovered counterfeit apparel bearing trademarks registered to Columbia, Adidas and Vans. It is alleged pursuant to Penal Code section 803(c), that the offense set forth in Count Thirty-Two was not discovered until November 29, 2021, when California Department of Justice, Investigator James Harbin conducted a search of lawsuits pertaining to the defendant, and learned about a federal lawsuit filed by Lululemon Athletica Canada, Inc. against the defendant, alleging counterfeiting and infringement of trademark. It is also alleged pursuant to Penal Code section 803(c), that the offense set forth in Count Thirty-Three was not discovered until March 18, 2021, when California Department of Justice, Special Agent Jacob Svoboda interviewed Coastal Farm & Home Supply LLC employee Molly Nelson, and learned she had purchased Columbia branded apparel from the

defendant. Prior to October 10, 2018, law enforcement did not have actual or constructive knowledge about the nature or extent of the possessed and or sold by the defendant.

It is further alleged pursuant to Penal Code section 803(c) and Unemployment Insurance Code section 2125, that the offenses set forth in Counts Four through Thirty-One were not discovered until at least October 10, 2018, when the California Department of Justice, along with other state and federal law enforcement agencies executed a search warrant at multiple locations linked to the defendant. During the execution of the search warrants, investigators conducted employee interviews and learned about unreported wages paid to employees. Subsequently, California Employment Development Department (EDD) Criminal Investigator Amelia Fong, initiated a criminal tax evasion investigation of the defendant. Prior to October 10, 2018, the EDD did not have actual or constructive knowledge about the nature or extent of the unreported wages by the defendant.

DECLARATION

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: 10/4/22

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