# **60-DAY NOTICE OF VIOLATION**

(Pursuant to California Health & Safety Code, § 2549.7(d)) Re: Marijuana Smoke

Date: December 10, 2014

To: Venice Medical Center, Inc.

California Attorney General's Office;

Each California District Attorney's Office (see service list below)

Los Angeles, San Diego, San Jose, and San Francisco City Attorneys' Offices

From: Tyanna Walker

I, Tyanna Walker, provide this Notice of Violation to you pursuant to and in compliance with California Health and Safety Code section 25249.7, subsection d. I am a citizen of the State of California acting in the interest of the general public. I seek to increase the public's awareness and the safety regarding products sold for consumption in California that expose the public to unsafe levels of carcinogens. I can be reached through my counsel's office, listed below. The violations covered by this Notice consist of the products' exposures, routes of exposure, and type of harm potentially resulting from exposure to the toxic chemical identified below, as follows:

# **Description of Violation:**

- Violator: Venice Medical Center, Inc., a marijuana dispensary
- <u>Time Period of Exposure:</u> The violations have been occurring for at least a year prior to the date of this letter and are ongoing.
- <u>Proposition 65 Provision Violated:</u> This Notice of Violation involves violation of California Health and Safety Code section 25249.6 for failure to provide a "warning provision" required by Proposition 65. I visited Venice Medical Center, Inc.'s dispensary and after a careful review of products, signs, and literature, saw no warning signs required by Proposition 65.
- <u>Listed Chemical Involved:</u> Marijuana Smoke, a carcinogen.
- <u>Description of Exposure</u>: Consumers smoke marijuana as identified by this Notice, which
  results in consumers inhaling marijuana smoke. No clear and reasonable warning is provided
  with these products identified by this Notice regarding carcinogen hazards associated with
  marijuana smoke exposure.
- Type of Product: All marijuana sold not in an edible form.

### **Resolution of Notice Claims:**

Based on the allegations set forth in this Notice, I intend to file a citizen enforcement lawsuit against the alleged violator 60 days after effective service unless such alleged violator enters into a binding written agreement to remedy the violations alleged herein by:

- (1) Recalling products already sold;
- (2) Reformulating all such products to eliminate the ability to smoke them or taking appropriate measures to otherwise comply with Proposition 65; and
- (3) Paying an appropriate civil penalty based on the factors enumerated in California Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7(b).

If any of the alleged violators is interested in resolving this dispute without resort to litigation, please feel free to contact me through my counsel identified below. It should be noted that I and my counsel may not: (1) finalize any settlement until after the 60-day notice period has expired; nor (2) speak for the Attorney General or any District or City Attorney who received my 60-day Notice. Therefore, while reaching an agreement with myself will resolve my claims, such agreement may not satisfy the public prosecutors.

Please direct any inquiries regarding this Notice to my counsel: Wade Miller at 235 E. Broadway, Ste. 424, Long Beach, CA 90802, (562) 437-6300, wmiller@wademillerlaw.com.

## **CERTIFICATE OF MERIT**

Health & Safety Code§ 25249.7(d)

- I, Wade Miller, hereby declare:
- (1) This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached sixty-day notice(s) in which it is alleged the parties identified in the notices have violated Health and Safety Code section 25249.6 by failing to provide clear and reasonable warnings.
- (2) I am the attorney for the noticing party.
- (3) I have consulted with one or more persons with relevant and appropriate experience or expertise who has reviewed facts, studies, or other data regarding the alleged exposure to the listed chemical that is the subject of the action.
- (4) Based on the information obtained through those consultations, and on all other information in my possession, I believe there is a reasonable and meritorious case for the private action. I understand that "reasonable and meritorious case for the private action" means that the information provides a credible basis that all elements of the plaintiffs' case can be established and the information did not prove that the alleged violator will be able to establish any of the affirmative defenses set forth in the statute.
- (5) The copy of this Certificate of Merit served on the Attorney General attaches to it factual information sufficient to establish the basis for this certificate, including the information identified in Health and Safety Code section 25249.7(h)(2), i.e., (1) the identity of the persons consulted with and relied on by the certifier, and (2) the facts, studies, or other data reviewed by those persons.

Dated: December 10, 2014

Wade Miller

# PROOF OF SERVICE BY MAIL AND ELECTRONIC MAIL

I declare that:

I am employed in Long Beach, California; my business address is 235 E. Broadway, Ste. 424, Long Beach, CA 90802. I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the within cause and my electronic mail address is hrobertson@wademillerlaw.com.

On December 10, 2014, I served true copies of the following documents by mail and electronically as stated below:

60-DAY NOTICE OF VIOLATION PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 2549.7(d);

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT:

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (only served on Attorney General)

THE SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986 (PROPOSITION 65): A SUMMARY (only served on the violator).

On this date, I transmitted without error the above documents via electronic mail to the electronic mail addresses set forth below at 12:00 PM on December 10, 2014:

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I deposited fully prepaid and sealed envelopes containing the above mentioned documents with the United States Postal Service, addressed to the individuals in the attached service list.

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

Dated: December 10, 2014

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