Case No. RG18921828

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[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING FINAL APPROVAL OF CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT

This matter came on regularly for hearing on October 31, 2024, in Department 23 of the above-entitled Court on Plaintiff's Motion for Final Approval of Class Action Settlement, Attorney Fee Award, Cost Award, and Class Representative Enhancement. Having fully reviewed and considered the moving papers, and the Amended Joint Stipulation for Class Action Settlement and Release (the "Settlement") between Plaintiff JAMES BOLEY ("Plaintiff") and Defendant CARS RECON, INC. ("Defendant"), and good cause appearing, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Motion for Final Approval of Class Action Settlement, Attorney Fee Award, Cost Award, and Class Representative Enhancement is GRANTED as follows:

- 1. This Order incorporates by reference the definitions in the Amended Joint Stipulation re Class Action Settlement and Release ("Settlement"), which sets forth the terms and conditions for this class action settlement, and all terms defined therein shall have the same meaning in this Order as set forth in the Settlement. A copy of the Settlement was attached as Exhibit 1 to the Declaration of Michael H. Kim, filed in support of Plaintiff's Motion for Final Approval and is made a part of this Order.
- 2. The Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this proceeding and over all Parties to this proceeding, including all Class Members.
- 3. The Court hereby GRANTS final approval of the Settlement upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Settlement finding them to be fair, reasonable, and adequate. The Court finds the Gross Settlement Amount of \$150,000, which Defendants must deposit into a settlement fund to be established by the Settlement Administrator within ten (10) days after the Effective Date, to be fair, reasonable, and adequate.
- 4. The Court finds that the requirements for certification under section 382 of the California Code of Civil Procedure and other laws applicable to settlement approval of class actions have been satisfied, and the Court hereby certifies, for settlement purposes, the following Class:

  "All employees who were paid on a piece rate or flag rate basis by Defendant CARS RECON in California from September 17, 2014 through June 7, 2024 (the date of preliminary approval)."

- 5. The Court has determined that the Notice Packet, referenced in the Declaration of Regina Cutler of CPT Group, Inc., fully and accurately informed all Class Members of the material elements of the Settlement, constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, and constituted valid, due, and sufficient notice to all Class Members.
- 6. Because no objections were filed to the Settlement, the Effective Date of this Settlement shall be the date upon which the Court grants final approval of the Settlement.
- 7. The Court now directs the Parties to effectuate the Settlement according to its terms and declares the Settlement to be binding on all Participating Class Members.
- 8. The Court hereby confirms the appointment of Plaintiff James Boley as Class Representative.
- 9. The Court hereby awards a service payment of \$5,000.00 to Plaintiff James Boley. The Court finds that this amount to be fair and reasonable in light of his contributions and services to this litigation.
- 10. The Court hereby confirms the appointment of Michael H. Kim, P.C. as Class Counsel.
- 11. The Court hereby awards \$45,000.00 in attorneys' fees and \$30,000.00 in costs to Class Counsel, as final payment for and complete satisfaction of any and all attorneys' fees and costs incurred by and/or owed to Class Counsel. The Court finds that Class Counsel's request for attorneys' fees and costs falls within the range of reasonableness and that the results achieved justify the award. The payment of fees and costs to Class Counsel shall be made in accordance with the terms of the Settlement.
- 12. The Court further approves the payment of \$10,000.00 to CPT Group, Inc. for the fees and costs of administering the Settlement. The payment authorized by this paragraph shall be made in accordance with the terms of the Settlement.
- 13. All Participating Class Members will be deemed to have released the Released Parties from the Released Claims, as set forth in the Settlement. Class Members who did not object to the Settlement as of the time of the Final Approval Hearing are barred from prosecuting or

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I, the below named Executive Officer/Clerk of Court of the above-entitled court, do hereby certify that I am not a party to the cause herein, and that on this date I served one copy of the Order Granting Final Approval entered herein upon each party or counsel of record in the above entitled action, by electronically serving the document(s) from my place of business, in accordance with standard court practices.

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Dated: 11/08/2024

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I, the below-named Executive Officer/Clerk of the above-entitled court, do hereby certify that I am not a party to the cause herein, and that on this date I served the attached document upon each party or counsel named below by placing the document for collection and mailing so as to cause it to be deposited in the United States mail at the courthouse in Oakland, California, one copy of the original filed/entered herein in a separate sealed envelope to each address as shown below with the postage thereon fully prepaid, in accordance with standard court practices.

James Boley 1633 Bayshore Highway, Suite 333 Burlingame, CA 94010

Dated: 11/08/2024

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